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## Hundreds brave cold to cheer launch of Sunday River Chondola

Despite below-zero temperatures early Saturday night, several hundred skiers and snowboarders of all ages packed Sunday River Ski Resort's South Ridge base area.

Many came ready to party in style to help celebrate the Newry ski hill's grand opening of its \$7 million "chondola," a high-speed gondola/ chair lift running from South Ridge base area to Peak Lodge on North Peak.

Billed as the first chondola in the Northeast, the huge lift scoots six-person chairs and eight-person enclosed gondola cars up the mountain in less than seven minutes.

Night skiing under the resort's first-ever set of trail lights accompanied the

"This represents a huge step forward in tapping Sunday River's full potential that has been envisioned this past year," said Stephen Kircher, president of Boyne USA Resorts' eastern operations, prior to a ribbon-cutting ceremony with Gov. John Balda-

"Between the versatility of the chondola and 12 hours (of skiing), we are redefining the eastern mountain experience," Kircher said.

Byron Carlock Jr., president of Boyne's capital partner, CNL Income Properties, stoked the crowd, saying, "Maine's governor made it his priority to focus on the outdoors and recreation ac-Baldacci amped up the

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## CNL, Boyne outline real estate plans for resort

By ALISON ALOISIO

Sunday River Ski Resort last week presented an application to the Newry Planning Board to establish subdivisions and re-align property boundaries.

The changes are in anticipation of Sunday River's parent company, CNL Lifestyle Properties Inc., selling more than 1,000 acres of property to the company that manages the resort, Boyne Resorts.

The sale of the parcels is the first of a series of land transactions between the companies that was planned when CNL purchased the resort last year, according to Mark Hall. director of development at Sunday River.

"CNL is a real estate investment trust. They can't operate as an ongoing development company," Hall told the

"CNL wants to retain for the most part any land that is anticipated to have any operational assets on it -- new ski terrain and potentially new lifts, things like that. We're trying for the most part to keep the operational stuff with CNL, and development stuff with Boyne."

He said the first transaction

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Esther's going on Christmas Break...

So Dr. Shaw's office on lower Main Street will be closed from Dec. 24th thru Jan. 4th.

**Happy Holidays!** 



A NEW WAY TO SCALE THE PEAKS

The grand opening of Sunday River's new chondola lift, which features a combination of gondola cars and six-person chairs, took place Saturday night. Despite frigid temperatures, several hundred skiers and boarders lined up to try out the lift and night skiing, also new this year. Here, a gondola departs the boarding area under the lift. At right, other skiers board a chair. More photos, Page 7.

(Photo: A. Aloisio)

## Couple crafts original books to give young relatives at Christmas

When Matt and Kim Hongoltz-Hetting of Albany started giving Christmas gifts to their young nieces and nephews several years ago, Matt said, "we didn't want to resort to the latest toy on the shelf."

So Matt, an English major in college, and Kim, an art major, have combined their talents each year to create books just for their young relatives.

The pair, who came to the Bethel area from Illinois in 2007, attended the University of Illinois-Chicago.

They started making books six years ago. The first was simply a collection of recommended books for youngsters of various ages, complete with sample il-

"I liked reading when I was young," said Matt, so he and Kim decided to share their favorites with their then-three nephews and nieces. Kim bound the vol-

The next year, the couple utilized their own creativity, writing poems individualized for each child. They followed that effort with two storybooks that incorporated the children as characters.

One, "The Roasted, Toasted Marshmallow Legs" tells the tale of the kids being sprayed by a skunk and living in the garage for a time until a tomato juice bath could be arranged.

As the number of nieces and nephews grew (it's now eight), Matt and Kim had to adjust their approach.

They moved from including each child in the plot to a more general story, sometimes accompanied by individual poems about each youngster.

NOT IN PANIC

Undaunted

by the cold,

a faun plays

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Place, on

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#### **Bethel Recreation** Basketball

Starts January 10th for grades 2 through 5 ign-ups at Town Office or January 10th at Crescent Park School from 9-10:30am. Program runs from Jan. 10th - March 15th \$10 for Residents \$15 for Non-Residents

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#### Philbrook Place to be auctioned in January By MICHAEL DANIELS than "an old house with pink

"In 1994 Bethel was a much shabbier place," said Pat Thurston.

purchased the Samuel D. Philbrook property on lower Main Street.

The Philbrook house and barn, connected by an ell, was complet-

ed in 1879. In his 1984 book, "Oxford County, Maine: A guide to its historic architecture," historian Randy Bennett described the Philbrook House as "the

finest Italianate residence in Bethel and one

ford County." But by the time she purchased the property, Thurston said, it was little more

clapped-out barn." "From my brief experience That was the year Thurston working in commercial real estate in Portland, I felt the house needed

asbestos shingles and a large,

what is termed

as a 'change of

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'It is the best means of defining what is a fair-market value for the property, which is truly extraordinarily unique and needs the right end-user.'

PAT THURSTON huge building Owner with several stores, without of the most important in Ox- walls, under one roof," Thur-

ston said Thurston paid a little over

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#### TELSTAR HIGH SCHOOL IN CELEBRATION OF ITS 40TH ANNIVERSARY

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See our complete menu/entertainment line-up on page 3! The Main Dining Room is open nightly from 5:30pm - 9pm - With a country breakfast served daily!

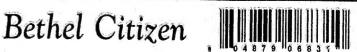
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#### CHAIR RAFFLE GIVES MLT A LIFT

#### To the Editor:

You may have noticed, while driving by True North Adventureware on Route 26, what seems to be a curiouslooking lawn swing constructed from a chairlift chair, Well, that is exactly what it is, and the Trails Committee of the Mahoosuc Land Trust is raffling off this beautifully made lawn swing on Feb. 22. Tickets, costing \$5 for one or three for \$10, are available at True North, Pinnacle, Piste Off, Jack Frost, the Barking Dawg, Bob and Terry's, the Great American Ski Renting Company, the MLT office on weekdays, any Mahoosuc Land Trust Board member, and Michele Perejda at Townsend

This is a fundraiser for the continuing construction of the Bethel Pathway, which will be extended around the MLT Gateway property in the near future. The Bethel Pathway, used ... by many of us, is a genuine asset to our entire community. We , hope you will support our effort and perhaps win this unique collector's item. Thanks for your support, and happy holidays

Bonnie Pooley

Mahoosuc Land Trust Board and Trails Committee member

#### WREATH HOME FOR CHRISTMAS

#### To the Editor:

As some of you may have noticed, our wreath has been returned.

I would like to thank Police Chief Carr for his help in making that happen. It really is nice to have it back in place. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Fran Head Maine Street Realty

#### HOLD THE SHOES

#### To the Editor:

I'm sure by now everyone has seen the news clip of President George Bush dodging shoes.

At first, it was amusing. One of the great things about being an American has been the ability for most of us not to take ourselves too seriously. But now it is being suggested that everyone send a shoe to give President Bush a royal send-off. Whoa, slow up here. This is our president and, whether we like him or approve of the things he's done or not, at least over half of us voted him in office; and, aside from that, respect is still due the office.

The United States of America has been a good example of a melting pot, blending our unique cultures into a culture all our own. But now we are dangerously close to becoming a nation of tribes, which, if one takes a good look, has been one of the reasons people have been leaving their own countries in the first place. Tribes are only interested in promoting themselves and, when one tribe begins to dominate, hatred and ethnic

cleansing often follow. President-elect Obama won on a platform of change, but I don't think he meant we are to change into a people filled with hate for people with views different from our own — and sending President Bush off with a shower of shoes, either literally or figuratively, is an act of hate — which is what the Iraqi man intended in the first place.

Let's not forget that many Muslim leaders have stated publicly Maine." that they will not rest until the whole world is either Muslim or dead. I would suggest that taking an approach favored by Muslims is not a thing the American people should embrace. I'm sure Muslims have many admirable qualities but hatred is not one of them, and not only for them, but for anybody. Hate

Let's send our retiring president off as we've always done --with dignity. He at least deserves that much and so do we.

Locke Mills

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#### THANKS FOR THE CAREER

#### To the Editor:

I am writing to express my thanks to friends, customers, family and fellow employees.

It is hard for me to believe that after 30 years in banking I am retiring from this career, which has given myself and my family a great life, great benefits, provided me with wonderful experiences, a world of knowledge, a lifetime of friendships, a roof over my family's head and an opportunity to allow me to grow as much as I could not knowing just how far I could go.

I owe a big thank you to Mary Ann Brown for my start, Had she not informed me about a secretarial position at Oxford Bank back in 1975, I might still be a waitress today. I learned so much of what I know today from Mary Ann Brown.

Thank you to Jim Delamater for taking on his former co-worker at Oxford Bank to work with him at Bethel Savings Bank n/k/a Northeast Bank in 1981. It was there that I really got a great background in lending and became an official lender.

In 1997 I made the move to Norway Savings Bank and was hired as the branch manager/VP at their Bethel branch. Thanks to Juanita Smith, a good word from Ross Tardif and the review of Peter Montpelier I was in at Norway Savings Bank. Norway Savings Bank allowed me the opportunity to live in my hometown and be able to work there also. Norway Savings Bank has provided me a wonderful place to work. This bank treats their employees like family. When something happens to one of their own, they circle the wagons of concern, caring and support and make sure you have what you need.

It is no wonder that in 2007 we placed 2nd and in 2008 we placed 1st as the Best Place to work in Maine. Quite an accomplishment!

I am going to miss all the golf that I have enjoyed over the years with my fellow employees. I know I am giving up a great job, but it is time for some new endeavors in my life with my

husband and family.

My shoes will be well filled by Amy Marshall, who has worked for Norway Savings Bank for the past 10 years, most recently, as the branch manager for the Oxford Wal-Mart branch for the past six years. Many of you will recognize Amy or her family members. She will do a great job for

I want to thank everyone and anyone who has had a role to play in my career. Employees whom I have worked beside over the years; my customers who I hope I have helped in some small way to make their life better or easier; friendships I have made along the way; my children, Monica and Carrie, for enduring some very late nights working when they were very little not only at the bank but at a second job I took on; my husband Craig of 13 years who has stood with me and beside me and encouraged me on days when I needed it. My stepchildren, Keith and Deanna, and all our grandchildren. My mother, brothers and sisters. My very special friends, Sue Cross, Jannine Buck and Susan Beer.

I would like to thank all those who came into Norway Savings on the 19th to wish me well, drop off cards. Dottie York and my mother for the flowers and those that came by to extend their well wishes. Also The Good Food Store for providing the food for this event.

Last, but certainly not the least, I would like to thank my partners in crime who organized my retirement open house, who I have loved dearly since working with them all. I will miss Kelly Duguay, Susan Driscoll, Linzsy Herman, Katy Cyr and Danielle Skorupa the most, I have shared many laughs, a lot of excitement, tears of joy and tears of sadness. They are truly a great team of ladies and I would encourage anyone who is not a customer of Norway Savings Bank to come over and meet this great team of women. You'll understand why after you meet them. This day wouldn't have happened without them.

Thank you. Craig and I will be heading out Jan. 2, for our little retreat in Zephyrhills, Fla., for some warm sun, fresh strawberries and fresh squeezed orange juice. Fondly,

Jane Ryerson

#### Chondola

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crowd's excitement several notches when he said of the chondola and 12-hour skiing, "This is going to be the No. 1 attraction for tourism in

After cutting the ribbon to open the lift, fireworks exploded over the mountain as rock music boomed around the base area from a stage beside the new lift.

Under the colorful, noisy bombardment, the chondola's Lorraine Larson cars and chairs zoomed up

waving, rosy-cheeked Santa to wild applause, hooting and hollering.

Then, the first of many waves of yelling skiers and snowboarders, pumping fists in the air, took their seats and headed up the mountain.

For Rory Murphy of Boston, the event was the highlight of a weekend of skiing.

This has been a great event!" said the skier who wore a gold crown atop his blue tote cap. "I can't wait to turning gondola delivered a I can't wait to ride it. It's a day."

on Friday.

"It's always nice to have fireworks on a birthday," Ralph said. "I told her the fireworks were for her."

The birthday girl said the whole event was exciting.

"It's great to be able to nightski," she said. "It's something the mountain before one re- hit the slope. I like the lift and different and it adds to the

#### good addition."

Equally excited several rows behind him were Ralph and Kim Bartholomew of Raymond. They came to ski and celebrate Kim's 50th birthday

#### **Real Estate**

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parcels. Another one or two transaction packages will likely follow in the future, he said.

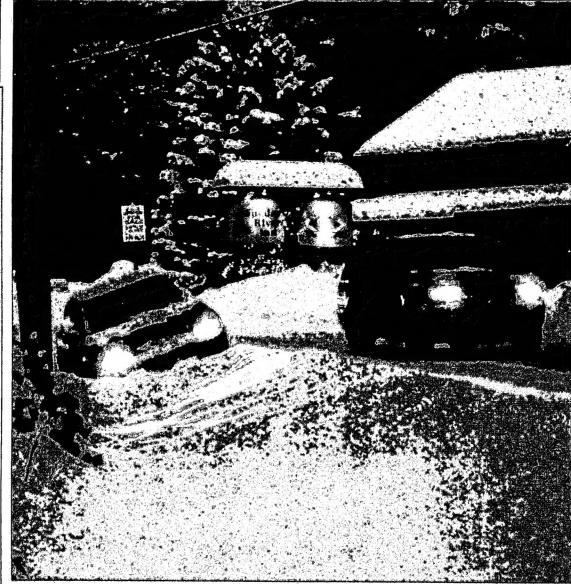
said Hall, people But, shouldn't read too much into the plans.

"We don't want anybody to look at this and say we're coming in with 12 parcels and we're off on some huge accelerated development process of some kind. That's not the intent. This is really intended to be the parcels that we will focus on for the next six or seven years, and if the economy goes the way it is, maybe 10 years. We don't currently have any active project on any of these parcels under design of any kind. We're not

going to be coming back in here two months from now with an application on seven or eight of the parcels."

The board heard details of some of the planned boundary adjustments and subdivision plans.

They will continue work on the application at their next meeting, on Jan. 7.



SLIP-SLIDING AWAY-This slide-off on the Sunday River Access Road was only one of several across the area during Sunday's storm, Fortunately, no serious injuries were reported. Steve Wight, owner of the Sunday River inn, said the curve in front of the inn is continually claiming such victims. "The curve does seem to collect cars," Wight said, "especially early in the season and during storms when the road edge is ill defined and drivers still think they can go anywhere at any speed." (Photo: M. Daniels)

# Pages

10 years ago: Mt. Abram opened for the season on Dec. 20, under new owner Randy Dunican.

The Crescent Park School chorus entertained at the Rotary's annual senior citizen Christmas Dinner.

Among the entertainers at the first annual New Year's Bethel were Henry Bascomb, Fiddle Box, Good Rockin' Daddies, Highland Soles, and State Street Traditional Jazz Band.

Births: Aleha Michelle Cushman, Deven Patrick Finnegan, Brooke Lee Libby, Benjamin Maurice Roy, Deziree Noelle MacKillop, Dominique Mare Millett.

Deaths: Allyn H. Emens, James Shields, Glennis E. Brooks, Read L. Grover, Aarne Cummings, Bertha Cummings, William Johnston, Robert E. Coolidge.

20 years ago: Amid falling snowflakes a hardy group made the rounds in West Bethel village, singing carols for the pleasure of their neigh-

The Children's Dance Theater of Bethel took its annual tour to Ledgeview Nursing Home to present a Christmas program.

Wendy E. Penley opened Mahoosuc Realty, Inc. in the Mountain View Mall in Beth-

Birth: Carl Parker Hansen, Amber Leigh Cummings, Kara Lynn Coulombe.

Deaths: Irma Thompson, Francis Ward, Jr., Eugene Buswell, George P. Stowell, Jr.

30 years ago: The Upton Young People presented a 'Charlie Brown" Christmas play.

GAN Sanitation Service was sold by George and Danna Nickerson to Dwight and Elaine Merrill, effective Jan. 1, 1979.

The Christmas Eve Service at the Rumford Point Congregational Church was well attended. Cary Morton and Lisa Ramsey sang a duet.

Birth: Alexandra Cash Gil-

Death: Joseph Vanable. 40 years ago: The MYF of the Methodist Church sponsored a Christmas party for Head Start families' children at the Ethel Bisbee School.

The Bethel PTA sponsored a New Year's Dance at William Bingham Gym.

Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Roy and infant son, Michael, portrayed the Holy Family in Bethel's 5th annual Living Nativity.

Death: John E. Price.

50 years ago: The Board of Directors of the Bethel Area Development Corporation extended an official welcome to Roger Favreau and his new woodworking mill in West Bethel.

The annual Gould Alumni Christmas party was held in William Bingham Gym with music furnished by Lord's Orchestra.

A nighttime fire caused an estimated \$15,000 damage to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Chester Bean, Upper Main Street, Bryant Pond. Birth: Judith Lynn Beaulac.

Deaths: Archer L. Grover, Mrs. Helen Smith Cole, Henry Perkins.

60 years ago: Emery Blake suffered second- and thirddegree burns on his face and hands while fighting a fire in the nearly completed home of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hall on Paradise Hill. The building was badly damaged.

Richard Bryant was elected president of the Bethel Players. Other officers were: vicepresident, Roland Glines; secretary, Mrs. Richard Waldron; treasurer, Mrs. Lawrence Sanders.

Mrs. Julia Coolidge of Locke Mills was severely injured when struck by a car near the E. L. Tebbets Spool Co. office. She was on the danger list at the Rumford hospital.

Death: Mrs. Hattie Bane. 70 years ago: Mr. and Mrs. Dexter Peverly, Bryant Pond, celebrated their 63rd wedding

anniversary. Deaths: Charlotte Philbrick. Mrs. Rubie A. Smith, Miss Martha A. Gibson.

100 years ago: Gypsie Barker was elected master of Bethel Grange 56. A new, large stove was added to their hall on Spring Street (razed in 1979).

#### **Special Town Meeting set**

WOODSTOCK—A special Town Meeting will take place in Woodstock on Dec. 30 to ask voters to transfer approximately \$55,000 from the Overlay Account to the appropriate road accounts to fund overdrafts. The accounts are overdrawn due to the worse-than-usual winter of 2007-2008, according to Town Manager Vern Maxfield, The meeting begins at 6 p.m. at the Town Office. On Dec. 22, a public hearing is scheduled at the Town Office at 4 p.m. regarding environmental aspects of the extension of Outlook Road for Phase Two of the Rustic Outlook subdivision, located off Route 26 in South Wood-

#### Unemployment rate up

AUGUSTA—State Labor Commissioner Laura Fortman announced that the preliminary seasonally adjusted November unemployment rate for Maine was 6.3 percent, up from 5.7 percent for October and 4.9 percent for November 2007. The national unemployment rate was 6.7 percent for November, up from 6.5 percent for October and 4.9 percent for November 2007. "Maine labor market conditions weakened considerably in November as the national recession deepened," Fortman said. "The number of nonfarm wage and salary jobs in Maine dropped by 2,400 between October and November, with the most substantial declines reported by the retail trade and manufacturing industries." Responding to the increased demand for assistance, Governor John E. Baldacci has approved hiring 18 additional positions, doubling the number of staff handling unemployment claims. Seven of those employees will begin work on Monday, Dec. 22. "We're bringing people on to help meet the increasing needs of Maine workers touched by this national recession," Governor Baldacci said. "If doubling the numbers of workers isn't enough, we will do more." Fortman cautioned that as new workers are hired and heavy call volumes continues, it is taking longer to get through to file unemployment claims by phone. "We are encouraging workers to file their initial or weekly claims online at www.file4ui.com <a href="http://">http://</a> www.file4ui.com/>, or by calling in their weekly claims through our Interactive Voice Response System which is available 24 hours 7 days a week by calling toll-free: 1-800-593-7660," Fortman said. The net loss of 2,400 seasonallyadjusted nonfarm wage and salary jobs between October and November contributed to a decline of 7,100 jobs over the past year. Between November 2007 and November 2008, job losses were registered in trade, transportation, and utilities; construction; financial activities; leisure and hospitality services; government; manufacturing; and information. Partially offsetting these losses, job gains were recorded in educational and health services and professional and business services. Other New England states reporting a seasonally · adjusted unemployment rate for November include New Hampshire, 4.3 percent; and Massachusetts, 5.9 percent. The adjusted national rate for November was 6.7 percent, up from 6.5 percent for October and 4.7 percent for November 2007. The largest job loss was recorded by leisure and hospitality services as the tourist season wound down from its summer peak. A larger than normal seasonal loss was recorded by construction. Partially offsetting job losses, retail trade establishments geared up (although the increase was less than normal) for the holidays and local governments added jobs due to temporary hiring for elections.

#### Request for bike-path funding

AUGUSTA-The Bicycle Coalition of Maine (BCM) is calling for including trails, bike lanes and sidewalks in the publie works funding legislation that will be considered by Congress next month to help stimulate the economy. "We have an immediate need to put Americans to work, and we also have a long-term opportunity to revitalize our communities by investing in active transportation," said BCM Executive Director Allison Vogt. "Creating trails and other active infrastructure that include bicycle and pedestrian facilities will boost local businesses, improve health, cut carbon emissions and curb our dependency on foreign oil." Congress is expected to vote on an infrastructure funding bill aimed at creating millions of immediate jobs within days of President-Elect Barak Obama taking office. "Maine has a number of major projects that are ready to be built," Vogt said. "They include paths that would be shared by bicyclists, pedestrians and other users. I urge Maine's congressional delegation to ensure that the public works funding bill includes money for active transportation facilities as well as that are integrated with road and bridge projects." Several national organizations, including the Thunderhead Alliance and the Rails-to-Trails Conservancy, are compiling a list of "ready-to-go" biking and walking projects throughout the country that could be funded by an infrastructure bill. While the bill is unlikely to earmark money for specific projects, the list underscores the large number of biking and walking improvements that are ready to be built as soon as funding is available.

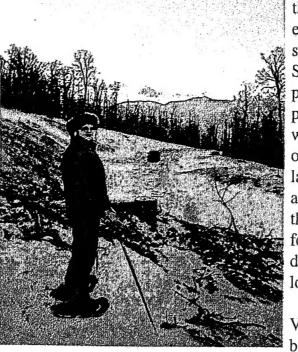
#### Bryant named IFW committee chair

AUGUSTA - Sen. Bruce Bryant (D-Oxford County) of Dixfield has been appointed to chair the Legislature's Joint Standing Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife for the 124th Legislative Session. He was also selected to serve as a senate member on the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation, and Forestry. The appointment, made by Senate President Libby Mitchell, is a two-year appointment. The Inland Fisheries and Wildlife Committee is responsible for working with the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife. Legislation or work related to hunting, fishing, trapping; wardens, licensing, and ATVs goes before this committee. The Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry Committee is responsible for overseeing the Departments of Agriculture, Forestry, and Conservation. In addition, legislators on this committee work on other matters like state parks, Maine Land Use Regulation Commission (LURC), and the Land for Maine's Future Program. Bryant has served as the Senate chair of the Legislature's Inland Fisheries and Wildlife Committee since first being elected to the Senate in 2002. He was also appointed as Senate Chair of the Agriculture, Conservation & Forestry Committee in 2002. While in the House of Representatives, he served on the Business and Economic Development Committee, Natural Resources Committee, Utilities and Energy Committee, as well as the Inland Fisheries and Wildlife Committee.

#### Use caution with ice storm trees

AUGUSTA- Trees around the state suffered minimal damage from the Dec. 11 ice storm — far less than they did 10 years ago - and there's no need to react too quickly, according to Maine Forest Service officials. Homeowners obviously need to deal immediately with branches on their homes. Branches and trees on power lines also must be dealt with by calling local power companies. There's no necessity, however, "for people to go running out with a chainsaw and cutting all their trees," Dave Struble, Maine Forest Service director of Forest Health and Monitoring Division, said Thursday. It also is important, he said, "not to fall prey to the slick-talking operator with a truck and saw." Homeowners should be wary of those offering fly-by-night, emergency tree-cutting services, he said. "Make haste slowly," Struble advised.

### **MERRY CHRISTMAS** SANTA'S RUNWAY ON MERRILL HILL



Visions of sugarplums may have been dancing in your head but this owner was contemplating Morganite, Tourmaline, Beryl, Amethyst, Topaz and Aquamarine. The latest streets which are being sculpted into the slopes of Merrill Hill.

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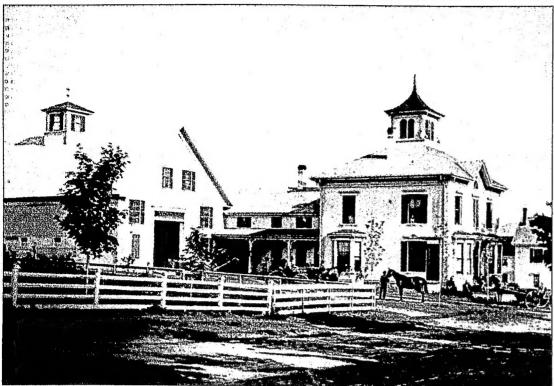
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\$200,000 for the lower Main Street property, then spent roughly twice that renovating and restoring the two buildings.

When the project was complete, Philbrook Place — as it is now known — had almost 10,000 square feet of commercial and residential rental space.

The restored property is now listed on both the state and national Registers of Historic Places.

But Thurston also admits to other motivations for undertaking the project.

"I was from New Jersey and there was no shopping in Bethel so I tried to bring some shopping here," she said. "I loved bringing businesses to Bethel, and successful businesses were incubated at Philbrook place."

Including a bookstore. "The very first tenant I convinced to come to town was Books N Things of Norway," Thurston said.

And when times were good, business could be very good. "Gross sales for all the businesses together at the peak were just under a million dollars," she said.

But all good things come to an end - Thurston and her family moved to Portland in 2006, and while she delighted in attracting businesses to Bethel, her heart, she said,

has never been in retail. "I've moved on," Thurston said, "and my love has always been in restoration of buildings, not in owning retail businesses.'

"As I no longer reside in Bethel, and it is difficult to be an absentee landlord, I feel the property needs another owner with a new vision."

One current retail tenant, Sara Hemeon, of Elements Art Gallery, shares that sentiment.

"I hope we get someone who really loves Philbrook Place, and we get some nice stores in here," Hemeon said. "There's room for six or seven more businesses.'

What Hemeon and some other tenants do fear is another change of use -- to condos, a bar or restaurant.

And there are grounds for that fear.

"The building has documentation completed with the town for condominium conversion (except for final fire-marshal signoff)." Thurston said.

Philbrook Place will be auctioned on Monday, Jan. 19. The minimum bit is \$500,000.

Thurston acknowledged that the current economic

(Photo: Courtesy Bethel Historical Society)

climate is less than ideal for moving a large property, especially one with "for rent" signs in some windows.

"But there's never a good time to sell this sort of business," she said. "When I had it fully tenanted it was a pain to put it on the market, because the tenants would all whine about that."

And the auction, she said, is not a foreclosure auction.

She opted to use this method, she said, "because it is the best means of defining what is a fair-market value for the property, which is truly extraordinarily unique and needs the right end-user. I've done all I can, and I can't take it any farther."

Robin Zinchuk, executive director of the Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce, credited Thurston with being instrumental in reestablishing the commercial viability of Bethel Village.

"She did a lot for the community," Zinchuk said. "She restored the Victoria [an earlier Thurston project], and her idea of having retail and stalls in the Philbrook Place has really helped the whole shopping feel of Main Street."

Details regarding the auction can be found on page 17 of this week's Citizen.

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#### **Books**

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One recent book, "Elsa Gree Clambake and the Ears of Corn," combines partial names from the children to create the main character's

name. The plot finds a young girl, sent by mother to buy corn from a farmer, encountering characters along the way who are difficult to understand because of their accents.

The theme, Kim said, "is about accepting others."

This year's book is the longest one yet — 32 pages, including the illustrations. The story is set in Africa.

Kim's illustrations vary widely from year to year. was an intricate col-

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pasted on to each page. This year's book features crayonlike drawings on brown pa-

ents grab the kids' attention 'If there's a darker element, it makes [the children] sit up and takenotice. I like fairy tales because they are a way to teach. But I want the stories to be fun, too.'

MATT HONGOLTZ-HETTING the kids' affection "

The story plots usually include an element of danger that the characters must overcome, Matt said.

"If there's a darker element, it makes [the children] sit up

and take notice," he said. "I like fairy tales because they are a way to teach. But I want the stories to be fun.

Matt and Kim also see their

efforts as practice. "We want our own kids-

someday," he said. And as they wrap up this, year's book, they're already

thinking ahead to 2009, "Next year's story takes place in Bethel," said Matt.

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illustrations they have created for their nieces and nephews. Matt, a native of upstate New York, and Kim, from Illinois, moved to Bethel in 2007 seeking a rural New England lifestyle. She works for Key Bank in Bethel while he has an online business. (Photo; A. Aloisio) **ACROSS** 55 Revolution- 101 Part of NB

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## The Way I See It

by Sharon Bouchard

As the New Year approaches tradition dictates that we look ahead. That we set goals or resolutions and we strive to meet them in the upcoming year.

That's for the new year. but right now it's Christmas and one of my favorite things about this holiday is not looking ahead, but looking back at Christmases past. Unlike Scrooge there are no unfriendly ghosts to show me the error of my ways.

I think most people get a little nostalgic this time of the year. Even my grandsons are starting to reminisce about Christmases gone by. For them each year that they can remember was the "Best Christmas Ever!"

I have a few "Best Christmas Ever!" memories of my own and a few that I would rather forget. Maybe there is an unfriendly ghost lurking in my past after all. The ones I would rather forget were generally of my own making like the year I unwrapped and rewrapped all of my presents when no one was home.

I must have been around 13 or 14 and I absolutely positively had to have a particular pink angora sweater with the cable stitching down the front. These sweaters were all the rage and I could just picture myself wearing it with my best pleated skirt.

I couldn't wait for Christmas and when the opportunity came and I was all alone I unwrapped all my presents and yes, the pink angora sweater was one of them.

Christmas morning of that year was the absolute pits. I was consumed with guilt over my unwrapping misdeed and there were NO surprises. I did my best to pretend I was surprised, but that whole day I felt like a truly rotten person. And that darn pink angora sweater itched like a son of a gun and left pink hairs all over my best pleated skirt.

... one of my favorite things about this holiday is not looking ahead, but looking back at Christmases past.

The Christmas of my first Barbie was a different story. I really wanted a Barbie doll, but I was old enough to understand that money was in short supply that year so I didn't expect to get one. Not only did I get the Barbie of my dreams, but I also got three complete Barbie outfits and a carrying case to put everything in.

We even had real whipped cream on the banana cream pie instead of Dream Whip for Christmas dinner. never knew where the windfall came from, but boy oh boy, that was the "Best Christmas Ever!"

I look back at the Christmases of my children's younger years as such cherished memories. The times Henry and I were up until the wee hours struggling with "Some Assembly Required." The family traditions we started that are

still with us, such as Orange Danish on Christmas morning and the times I burned them or undercooked them. This is the stuff of stories that get carried on from year to year.

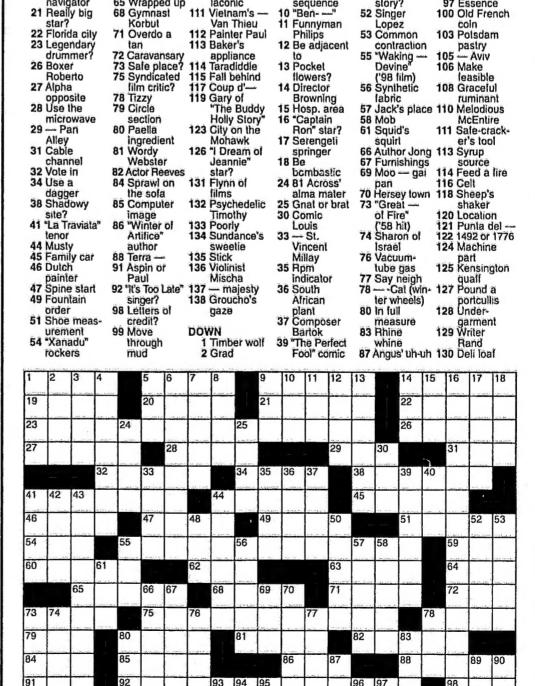
Most of all I look back on how excited my children were and the joy we shared making cookies together or watching Christmas specials. I remember just about every Christmas tree we picked out and decorated together and the Burl Ives Christmas album we always played while hanging the ornaments. I still get a bit choked up when I hear "Holly Jolly Christmas".

And now we carry those traditions on with the grandchildren and create more special Christmas memories that I can bring out of my memory vault each year that will fill my heart with joy in my old age.

I hope that reading this column has sparked some special Christmas memories of your own. I hope that you recall some of those great times of making construction paper chains or stringing cranberries. Perhaps you'll remember singing Christmas carols in the snow or that one Christmas party at school that was outstanding,

I hope you will always remember the joy in your children's eyes and the love in your parents.

The way I see it Christmas memories are what makes this holiday so special. And I'll use this opportunity to wish each and everyone of you the "Best Christmas Ever!"



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#### From the Bethel Police Log:

Monday, Dec. 22

At 10:07 p.m. Officer George Gould responded to Vernon St. for a motor vehicle that had slid off the road. There were no injuries.

Sunday, Dec. 21

At 7:44 a.m. Officer Mike Kelly assisted a motorist with a disabled vehicle on Parkway/Route 26.

At 10:24 a.m. Officer Mike Kelly responded to the Flat Rd. for a report of a domestic assault. Investigation revealed no evidence of an assault and the complaint was determined to be unfounded.

At 5:05 p.m. Lt. S.R. White responded to the East Bethel Rd. for a report of a domestic incident. One subject had been assaulted, and the other had left. A be-on-the-lookout was put out on the second subject.

#### Saturday, Dec. 20

At 11:42 a.m. Officer Rusty Daley responded to Mason St. for a verbal domestic dispute.

At 7 p.m. Lt. S.R. White observed a vehicle strike a parked vehicle on Main St. The parked vehicle was not occupied.

#### Friday, Dec. 19

At 9:50 a.m. Officer Crystal Aylward responded to Main St. for a welfare check.

At 12:08 p.m. Officer Crystal Aylward received a report of a subject driving erratically on Route 26. The officer located the vehicle, but did not observe any violations. The driver was stopped and warned.

(Time not available) Officer George Gould responded to Route 2 west of Bethel for a report of two horses running in the road. The owner was located. The horses were returned o their pen.

#### Thursday, Dec. 18

At 2:15 a.m. Officer Jason Goff responded to a tractor railer-truck accident on Route 26 in Greenwood. The frivers were checked by rescuer personnel.

4t 11:15 p.m. Officer Jason Goff responded with Bethel Rescue to a medical emergency on the East Bethel Rd.

This report highlights points of interest from the Bethel Police Department log. It lists cases reported in the log of idults being arrested or issued a summons in the 10 days prior to the newspaper's publication, but does not include all eports of police activity, such as routine speeding tickets and other civil violations. To reach the Bethel Police Department, :all 911 in emergency situations, 824-3437 in non-emergencies.

#### Tips from the Bethel Police Department

t. If you dial 911 by mistake, don't hang up. Stay on the line and tell the dispatcher what happened.

2. So that responders can find you quickly in an emergency, nake sure your house number is clearly visible from the — on the house if it is near the road, or on a mailbox

or post if the house sits more than 50 feet back. 3. Watch out for scam letters and phone calls. A letter may state you have won money and need to pay a fee to claim the prize and release the money. Sometimes people will receive a check they are directed to cash, and then repay a portion to the sender. Phone scams may also attempt to elicit information (such as a social security number or birth date) the caller can use to steal someone's identity. And if a caller says they are collecting money for a good cause, ask that written information be sent first.

### **Oxford County Jail:**

(Bethel region)

Dec. 22, 3:00 p.m.: Brian J. Piawlock, 21, of Bethel, domestic assault; by BPD Chief Alan Carr.

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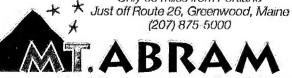
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#### West Bethel



With apologies again

Lorrie Hoeh

'Twas the night before Christ-

And all over town, Folks marveled in wonder At snow all around.

Seven inches last Wednesday, On Friday five more; The northeaster on Sunday Just raised up the score.

Last week Grange was cancelled

Because of the snow, And the building is chilly, As everyone knows.

The West Bethel Church Had a two-hour show, With candles lit early To miss all the snow.

The children performed A nativity play, Which pleased one and all, Made everyone's day.

We've filled all our buckets. And oil lamps as well; The candles are ready For a powerless spell.

The presents are wrapped And stockings prepared, Awaiting St. Nick, Who soon will be there.

And now I will say, In phrases quite clear, Merry Christmas to all, And a Happy New Year!



Lin Chapman After this last snowstorm, there should be enough snow for a while. wind always blows after a

storm and makes the snow drift, so it was hard to tell just how much snow we did get. It was nice to have the day off from work, since I did not really want to go out and drive after such a big storm.

An e-mail was received last week from Major Stephen

McLain, who is serving in Iraq. He said he was awarded the Bronze Star Medal for his work in financial management operations, improving Iraqi banking institutions, and in developing the economy in southern Iraq through the creation of an Iraqi Based Industrial Zone (IBIZ). He is the son

to Clement Moore:

> Gilead. My brother, Steve McLain, also had an e-mail from Stephen that said he had received the packages that the local Girl Scouts had sent to him. He was quite pleased and wanted

of Steve and Lise McLain of

to send them a big thank you. Lise McLain took her father, Gerard Dupont, to his doctor's appointment last week. They took time to go out to lunch and do some shopping.

I would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Got any news? Call 836-2987 or e-mail chapmal@hotmail. com.

#### Hanover



by Clem Worcester We have noticed the differ-

ence. Ride out

around after dark and there are not nearly as many Christmas

lights as usual. Has our valley somehow lost the Spirit? There have been tough times for lots of folks. Let's hope our good neighbors find the ways to enjoy this Christmas. Happy Holidays! The Hanover Select Board

met Tuesday, Dec. 16, for their monthly meeting. The Board approved the warrant for the Jan. 15 special Town Meeting for the referendum election to decide who will be the Hanover Representative on the Board of Directors for the Western Foothills Regional School Unit 10.

They also noted that six tax liens were being sent to the Registry of Deeds for recording. The Board also learned that \$25,000 had been received since tax bills were sent in November.

Bob Fortin reported that he had attended a meeting of the Tri-Town Solid Waste and Recycle Board and former Hanover Selectman and Tri-Town Board member Bruce

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Jan. 6 Girls Varsity vs. Livermore Falls a 7 p.m.

Jan. 12 Girls/Boys Varsity vs. Carrabec a 5:30 p.m.

Jan. 23 Girls Varsity vs. Monmouth a 6 p.m.

Feb. 4 Girls Varsity vs. Jay a 6:30 p.m. Feb. 5 Boys JV/Varsity vs. Jay u 5:30 p.m.

Powell was going to review Hanover's agreement with that group.

The Hanover Select Board appointed Jeff Watts to the Planning Board position to be vacated by Mark Beaudoin at the end of the year. Jeff Watts was previously an alternate to the Planning Board and his new appointment will leave an alternate vacancy. Anyone interested in the position should contact the Town Of-

fice for consideration. The Comprehensive Plan Committee meeting scheduled for Dec. 17 was canceled due to the snowstorm that

day. The next meeting will be

Jan. 21 at 6 p.m.

Sympathy is extended to Jennie Bell Bartlett and her family upon the passing of her husband, Lindon, For many years the Bartletts lived on Main Street between the store and Just a Hobby Antiques. Last year they moved to Hartford. He was

Remember, schools are closed for the holidays. With all the new snow, watch for young ones on sleds who may inadvertently slide into the

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DENNY BREAU ber, you will need a new license if you are hunting or fishing on January 1st.

It is reported that the Town Office is open Friday after Christmas and New Year's Eve and Friday, Jan. 2, Going to the office for the Hunting/ Fishing license? Dog Licenses are also due by Dec. 31.

May all your news be good news and may you have the best of this special week.

#### East Andover



Joan Stinson-Carney Happy Holidays everyone! I hope

wonderful presents, have good things to eat, and the cat doesn't knock the tree over. Thank heavens it will be all over tomorrow!

Don't forget that there will be a rabies clinic this Saturday, Dec. 27, at the Fire Station. Hours are from 2 to 4 p.m. A \$14 fee, cash only, will be charged per animal. You can also license your dogs then if you need to.

Best wishes to East Andover resident Alice Dixon who recently had surgery. Cards would be nice.

The new fire truck has arrived in town. It will be a while until it is ready to go, but I hear it is a beauty. Congratulations to Kelly

and Peter Scotti. The Town Office will be open on Wednesday morning, Dec. 31, instead of the

usual afternoon hours. Town committees should have their reports ready for the town report and turned in

by the first week of January. My mother, Marjorie Stinson, wants to thank everyone who sent her Christmas cards, she was very happy to

get them. Have a nice week. See 'ya.



Joyce Lamb Winter's cold has set in to stay. There is no turning the

nace back during the day anymore as I have been doing all fall, for the temperature remains below freezing most days. Snow every where. The last storm must have been six inches deep. Frank plowed twice in this, must have been six inches deep, Frank plowed twice and I try to keep the paths cleared. I shovel every two or three inches for it is easier that way.

It has been too slippery for the Cotton Tops to walk on our regular days, so if the sun melts the ice and slush a few of us go out later. We get stiff if we do not walk for a week.

The traditional Christmas Eve candlelight service will be held at the Universalist Church at 6 p.m. led by the Rev. Richard Beal. Carols and candle lighting will be included in the service.

On Sunday, Dec. 28, Jennifer Wickson will be the guest speaker at 9 a.m. at the Universalist Church. Jim Burke is organist. A coffee hour fol-

While volunteering last week at Ledgeview Nursing Home two Santas from the Advent Church came delivering poinsettias. They even had a beautiful one for a volunteer, so as it was Monday that was me. It brightens up my living room. Thank you for being so thoughtful.

Merry Christmas to all! I hope the weather and roads are clear for the big day so families can get together. Muffin will remain quietly at home but will get an extra serving of her favorite cat food.



Lorraine Larson Just when I thought I was finally back online and

could get news in more consistently, my computer went "poof" and in a cloud of smoke bit the dust.

At least before computers showed me how fast we could communicate with others, I still had a car to get my news into the Citizen office. Now I am reduced to sending news up by mail, which, although a bit better than pony express. is not the most reliable means of communication.

I am amazed sometimes, how fast a letter can get to its destination but the next week

it may take three or four days. That said, I am never sure if I need to post the news three or four days before the Friday deadline. Add this to the fact that, at my age, time seems to go by so quickly it is often Friday before I give it a thought, and I can no longer rush to the computer, type in a few items to an e-mail and, voila! It is at the news office before my finger leaves the "send" button, or the mouse button to be more accurate. Alas, I am spoiled by modern technology.

And, speaking of that, I was given an MP3 player and am enthralled and bewildered how a two-inch by two-inch piece of plastic can house 900 four-minute songs and play them back with such clarity and beauty. "Wow" is the only very inadequate way to express my feelings!

It would seem winter has finally decided to arrive with a vengeance, Thank God, we were spared another ice storm in this area, but it looks as if we are going to be treated to another snowy winter. But I'll take snow over ice any day. And I'm sure the skiers are de-

And so is Chloe. Garbo, at the advanced age of 14, looks out the door, sniffs the air. surveys the snow and mutters something cat language I can't understand, which is probably just as well, and retreats back to the warm couch. Chloe shivers with anticipation as I snap her to the run and, with wild abandon, races to the end of the run and back, up over banks and around snow clumps, taking great leaps into piles higher than she is. What delicious fun!

Andover



What an awesome snowstorm we had on Sunday! Thank goodness it was

light and fluffy to shovel, as everybody would be having major back issues this week. I believe we may have enough to start snowmobiling!

Don't forget the Rabies Clinic on Saturday at the Fire Department. It is from 2 p.m. until 4 p.m. Cost is \$14, cash

A reminder that the Town Of-

#### **Area Christmas Services**

#### Bethel

Our Lady of the Snows-Christmas Mass, 8 a.m. Christmas morning. (An announcement phone at 824-2933 lists other Christmas Eve and Christmas Day masses to be offered in

#### West Bethel

Pleasant Valley Bible Church—Christmas Eve Candlelight Service, 6 to 7 p.m. (more services, Page 12)

fice will be closed next Thursday, New Year's Day. Wednesday, Dec. 31, their hours will be in the morning at 8 a.m. instead of the Wednesday afternoon hours.

The Library will also be closed on New Year's Day.

Happy Birthday on Saturday to Megan Chaisson, and to Hanna Jean Merrill on Dec.

Merry Christmas, and Happy Chanukah Andover friends!

## Bryant Pond



Alice Hoyt Services at the Baptist Church are Sunday school at 9:15

a.m., morning worship at 10:30 a.m., evening service at 6. Wednesday evening is Christmas Eve service at 6 p.m., Jan. 2 at 6 p.m. is Young Adults Fellowship time. Jan. 18 at 6 p.m., Chris and Lois Tignor, missionaries to Ecuador, will be at that service.

There are no more Grange meetings until April.

The Woodstock Extension cancelled their meeting on the 17th because of a snowstorm. Next meeting is Jan. 16.

The Woodstock-Greenwood Senior Citizens will meet in January at the Town Conference Room. There will be a potluck dinner and silent auction. Each one, please bring a dish to share at the dinner and an item for the silent auction. Date is Jan. 1 at 11:30 a.m.

**Historical Society** 

At the December meeting of the Historical Society, the potluck supper featured such fare as lasagna and hamburg stroganoff, tossed and molded salads, rolls and muffins, and corn pudding, chocolate pie and cookies for dessert. Curator Larry Billings reported on reading he does, and president Elaine Roberts spoke about events of the year so far, during the business meeting. They also had exchange of gifts and cards. Paul and Vicki Billings gave everyone calen-

The January meeting program will consist of New

They meet at the Town Conference Room, but Curator Larry still saves artifacts to add to the collections in the spring. The business of the society goes on all year around. Perhaps you have something you want to give them. If so, you may take it to Larry at 70 South Main Street, Bryant Pond. Also leave your name

and address for the records. Larry would like to thank Sandy Dennis of Books N Things for the Christmas gift certificate. He got a history book with it.

#### Waterford



by Rockie Graham It is now officially winter and it sure did come in with a blast.

We are shoveling, plowing, shoveling and plowing out from at least 18 inches. David traded with several people to shovel our roofs and walkways. The snow on the main roof, comes off by itself, but the garage, the shop and the sheds need help; so does the new "pole barn" which is actually no more than a lean-to for the tractors. Isn't winter fun? At least it has warmed up a few degrees.

After three months and a few days, five different doctors as well as therapists and an acupuncture session with friend Abi, my voice is no better than ever. After a speech therapy session, I have a bad sore throat and less voice than when I started the session. My kazoo playing seems to not help at all. It creates a little sound in the house, but no larynx action that I can tell. The prolosec atc and its relative also seem to do nothing and create other problems, too. But I will enjoy the holidays and then worry about what to do, even if it means a trip to Boston to the big hospitals.

I trust all will have a great holiday. I was surprised that the schools let out so early. I guess that just saves them from canceling for the storm. Other areas did have school. and they all cancelled.

We did get to the Waterford Elementary School for their

and I think that the parents did, too. I got to see friends I don't see too often anymore, including Kelly and new bambino Riley, who is six months. This was the first I'd met him.

Now it is off to New Year's, I doubt we will budge for the holiday. Knowing us, we ! probably will not see the New Year in. It is past our bed-

It seems like only a few years ago that I went out and partied for the New Year. I remember one year going to New Year's Portland and with only an hour or two of sleep driving to Ketchum for New Year's Day. It was great fun, but no way could I do it now. Although I know that if I lived closer I would go to New Year's Bethel for part of the evening. Since it is Wednesday and we will be there, maybe we can take in the early stuff, if the weather cooperates.

With that I will end this rambling. Have a great holiday and stay safe for the New

From

## Bethel Historical Society Regional History Center

Sponsors for the 11th annual New Year's Bethel are still being sought at the Patron (\$200 or more), Friend (\$100-\$199) or Contributor (\$5-\$99) level. Sponsors will be listed in all publicity connected with this popular event and also be posted at each venue.

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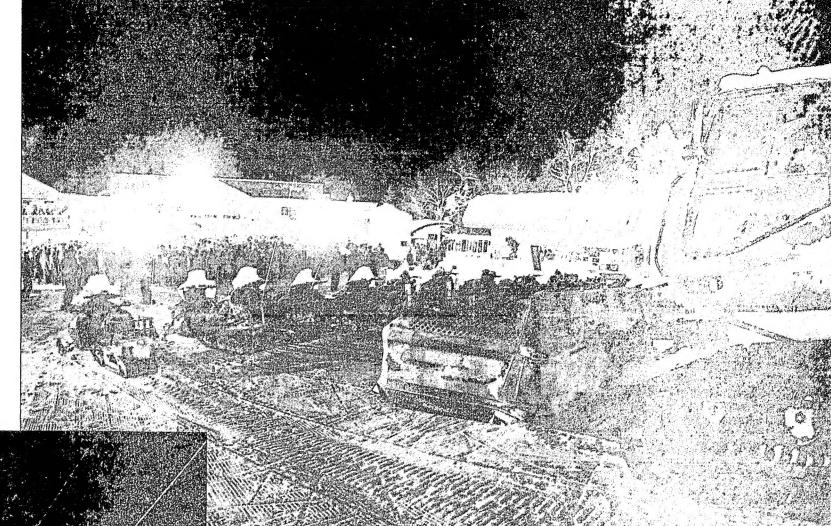
Kids Glow Light Parade: At 8:30pm come witness kids of all ages glowing down South Ridge to celebrate the New Year. Fireworks Spectacular: At 9:00pm watch the holiday sky light up with magical colors, best viewed slopeside at South Ridge.

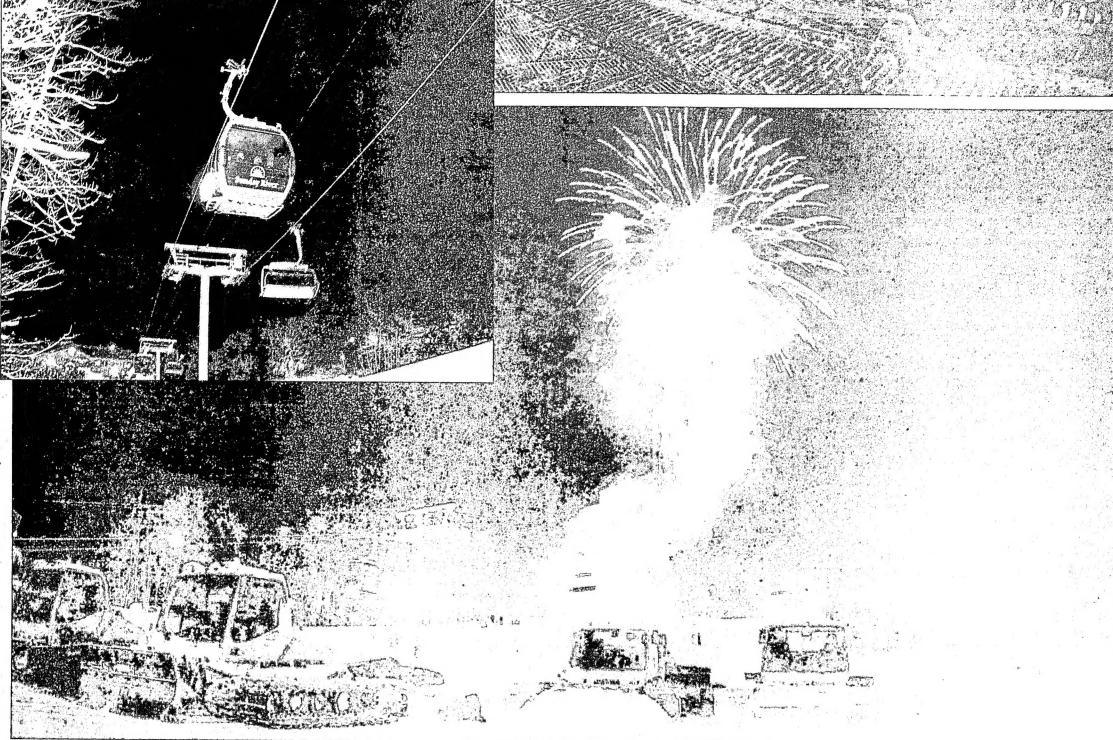
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Sunday River's new \$7 million chondola opened for skiers Saturday night. A ribbon-cutting ceremony preceded the grand opening. Clockwise, from right: Resort groomers and snowmobiles line up in tribute as a large crowd looks on near the South Ridge Lodge; fireworks celebrate the event over the newly lit slopes, now open for night skiing; skiers ride a gondola past a light tower.

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This year's event, an affordable, chemical-free festival featuring live entertainment for all ages, begins with a community potluck supper at 5 p.m., a children's dragon parade at 6 p.m., marshmallow roasting on the town common throughout the evening, and includes Judy Lee's fun-filled family show, the State Street Jazz band, contra dance with Ti'Acadie, Senior Players, community sing along with Lynn Arizzi at the piano, and community bell ringing at midnight.

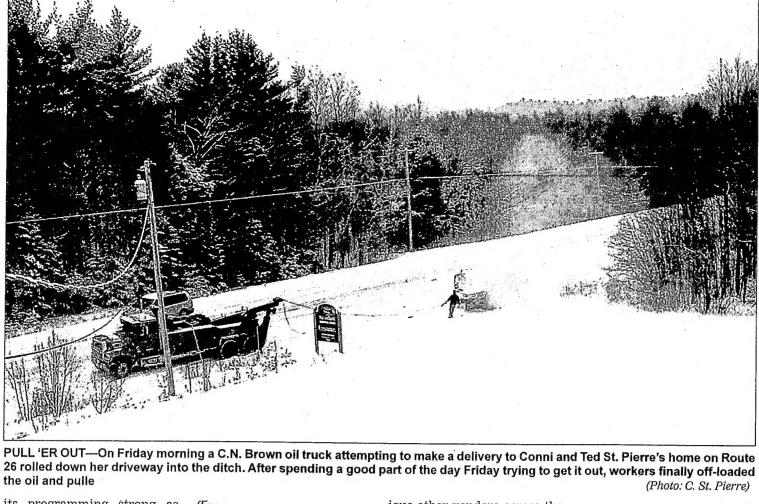
Tickets may be purchased in advance at the Citizen office, the Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce, Maine Line Products Locke Mills store, and the Bethel Historical Society's museum shop: \$10 adult and \$8 students 6-18 and at the door \$12 adult and \$10 students 6-18. Those age 5 or under are free.

Further information may be gained by calling the Bethel Historical Society office at 824-2908 or (800) 824-2910 or going to the website: www. bethelhistorical.org.

2008 Leadership Challenge Kent G. Taylor, chairman of the 2008 Annual Fund Campaign, announced this week that the deadline is fast approaching for participation in this year's challenge where every first-time contribution will be matched on a one-to-one basis by the Stifler/Leadership Challenge. An increased gift in 2008 will also be matched, dollar for dollar to cover the increase over last year's giving.

Various levels are available: Memorial, \$25; Freeholder, \$50; Proprietor, \$100; Founder \$250; Magistrate, \$500; Dr. Moses Mason Society \$1000-plus+.

Contributions to the society are tax deductible as allowable by law and help keep



its programming strong as well as upholding its mission of collecting, preserving, and interpreting for present and future generations the local and regional history of North-

ern New England. Gifts may be made in cash, securities, real estate, bonds, appreciated stock or other personal property. Further information can be gained by calling the society at 824-2908 or (800) 824-2908 or go the website: www.bethehistorica.org.

With over 1,400 members. the Bethel Historical Society, founded in 1966, is western Maine's largest and most comprehensive full-time historical agency, dedicated to collecting, preserving, and interpreting the regional past for present and future generations. For over 40 years, the society's activities have included lectures, exhibits, special events, heritage festivals, workshops, conferences, school and educational programs.

#### White Mountain National Forest

Beginning Jan. 5, 2009, the USDA Forest Service will no longer operate the Evans Notch Visitor Center in Bethel. as a visitor center. This change will implement decisions made in 1996 to consolidate Forest Service offices. The Forest Service will continue to use the facility for work crews, and the site will also remain occupied by the Mahoosuc Land Trust.

National Forest information, firewood permits, recreation passes and Christmas tree permits, are available at the Androscoggin Ranger District headquarters in Gorham, N.H. Recreation passes may also be purchased through self-service fee tubes at fee sites, from Pleasant River Campground in West Bethel, and from various other vendors across the National Forest.

Visitors can also access White Mountain National Forest information at: http:// www.fs.fed.us/r9/white.

Hikers seeking winter access to the White Mountain National Forest Gale River Trail and Garfield Trail should be aware three road bridges were lost in a flood event this past summer. Consequently, the parking area at the entrance to the South Gale River Road, adjacent to Route 3, will not be plowed and is closed to parking this winter.

For winter access to Gale River Trail and Garfield Trail, as well as skiing opportunities on Gale River Road, visitors are asked to park at the Beaver Brook Wayside, located on Route 3, one mile northeast of the Gale River Loop Road. Hikers should follow trail signs posted in the Beaver Brook Ski Trail system to connect to North Gale River Road and follow the road to either Garfield Trailhead or Gale River Trailhead.

Visitors are advised not to

travel by foot over the South Gale River Road as fording the multiple river crossings where the bridges are out can be very dangerous in winter conditions.

Be prepared when hiking in the White Mountain National Forest, Always check the weather forecast before you begin your hike. Weather conditions can change rapidly and hikers should be prepared for winter conditions, Visit www. fs.fed.us/r9/white and www. hikesafe.com for information to help you plan a safe trip.

## <u>Bethel Area</u> <u>Chamber</u> of Commerce

The Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce wants to "keep the magic" going with the Bethel WinterFest 2009, from Jan. 9-

The magic that was created by the building of the World's Tallest SnowWoman in the winter of 2008, that is!

Since a project of that magnitude is simply out of the question two years in a row, the chamber is creating a phenomenon of similar proportions. Not necessarily a 121-

half dozen incredible artistic snow creations designed and produced by some of North America's most renowned snow and ice sculptors under the coordination of Ed Jarrett, executive director of the Maine Snow and Ice Sculpting Foundation. Team Canada of Donald

foot-tall creation, but rather a

Watt, Michael Lane and Peter Lucchetti, winners of the International Snow Sculpture Competition at the Quebec Winter Carnival 2008, are arriving in Bethel on Jan. 1 to start carving under our 140foot tent on the Bethel Common, They will be creating some fantastic snow sculptures based on our theme of "Four Seasons of Outdoor

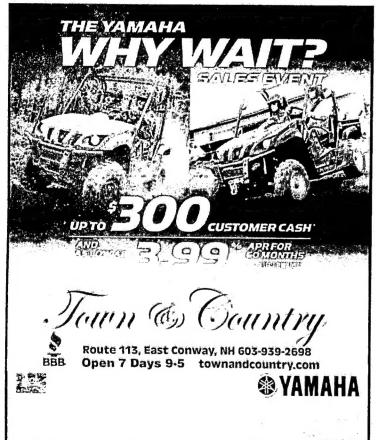
Among the creations will be a featured Bear on Waterskis and a Moose on an ATV. Tickets will be sold, on a limited basis, to watch the carvers do their work from Jan. 2-

The tent will be open to the public at 5 p.m. on Jan. 9. This spectacular show will be a treat for all ages. Admission is \$3 for adults, \$2 for ages 13-18 and 65-plus, \$1 for ages 3-12, and under 3 are free. Tickets will be sold on site and hours of operation will begin at 10 a.m. each day, with close at 10 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays and 7 p.m. Sundays through Thursdays. The event will end on Monday, Jan. 19, at 7

Other WinterFest 2009 events will be held throughout the area and can be enjoyed by all. The Bethel Inn Resort will be offering iceskating, sledding and a snowpeople building forest, in addition to their snowshoeing, Nordic skiing and horsedrawn sleigh rides. Many of the shops and restaurants will be featuring WinterFest specials and be open extended hours on the weekends. Additional events are being held at both Sunday River Ski Resort, Mt. Abram Resort, at Carter's and Sunday River Inn Cross Country Ski centers and at Sun Valley Sports and Guide Services. Go to www.bethelmaine.com for the entire events calendar for that time period.

Volunteer opportunities are plentiful and details on that can be obtained by calling the chamber at 824-2282. Volunteering ensures an invitation to the VIP reception. which will be held prior to the public opening on Jan. 9. Sponsorships are still available as well.

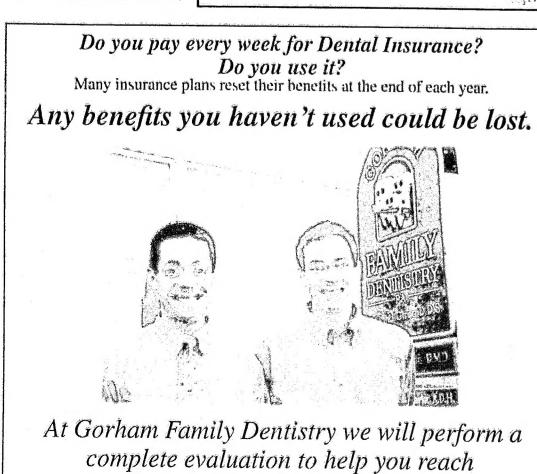








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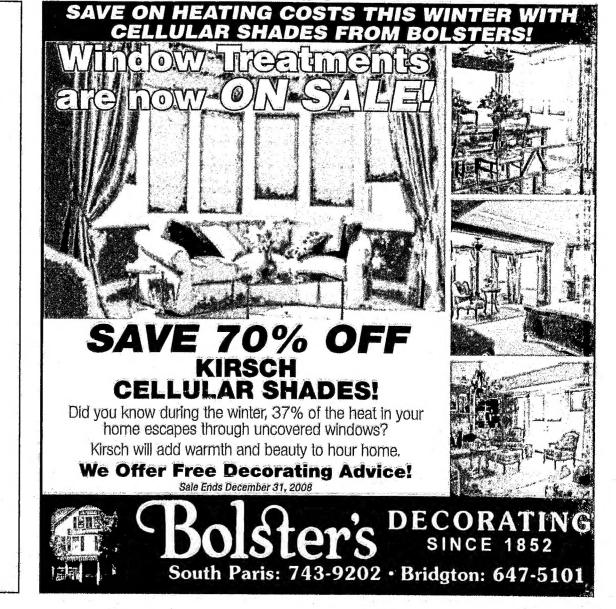


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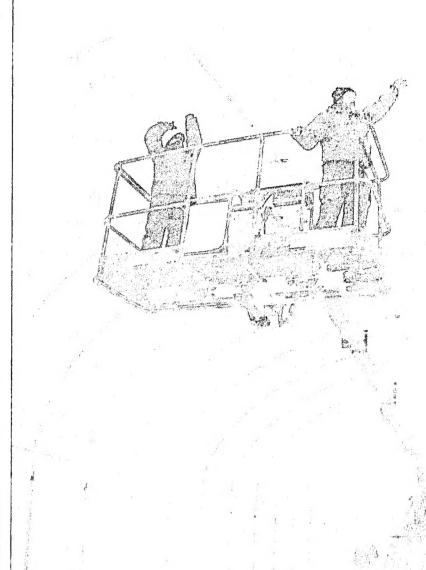


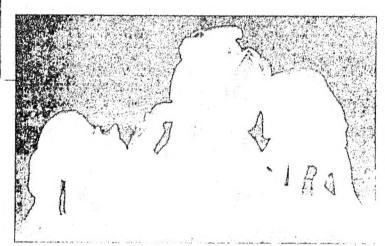


#### THE BEST LAID PLANS OF MICE AND MEN

Preparations are underway for Bethel WinterFest 2009, which will take place from Jan. 9 through 19. Some of North America's most renowned snow and ice sculptors will carve their creations under the coordination of Ed Jarrett, executive director of the Maine Snow & Ice Sculpting Foundation, according to the Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce. Last week, using steel supports and shrink-wrapped plastic, Jarrett and volunteers set up a 140-foot-long tent on the Bethel common to house the sculptures. But over the weekend, Mother Nature had other ideas. She took down the structure with a combination of heavy snow and high winds. Jarrett plans to replace the shelter with a smaller, 70foot long version and utilize a court-yard exhibit area for the remaining space, according to Robin Zinchuk, BACC executive director. Sculpture carving will start Jan. 1. Below right, a championship sculpture by Team Canada, from another event. For more information on the WinterFest, see Chamber column, Page 8. (Setup photos: A. Aloisio)







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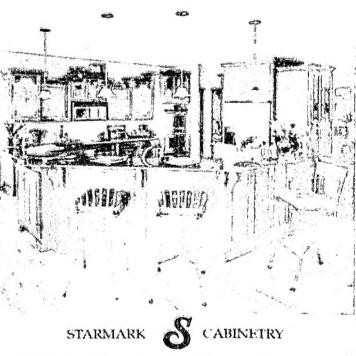
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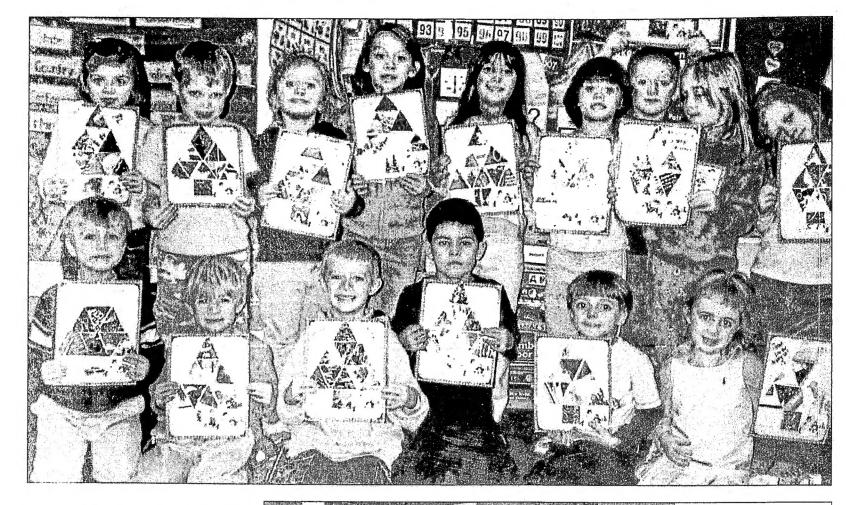
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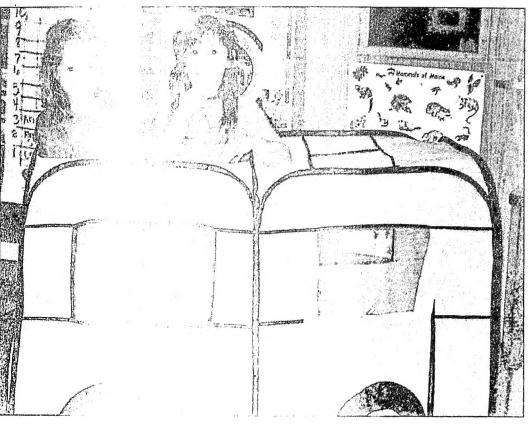
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#### **BUSY TIMES AT CPS**

Clockwise, from right: Pupils in Barb Sabin's kindergarten class at the Crescent Park Elementary School recently recreated holiday cards to send to servicemen and women. The idea originated with the CPS Student Council. The pupils worked on the project with buddies from Telstar Middle School; CPS kindergartners studied geography recently, completing a puzzle of the seven continents and major oceans; Shelby Thorman and Talia Paaso demonstrate bus safety rules.









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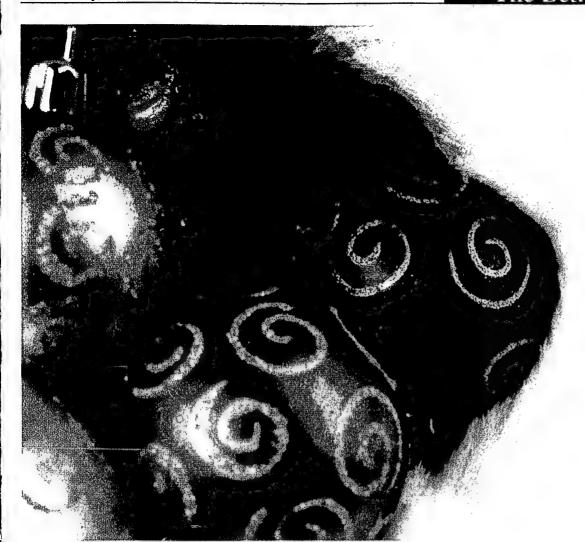
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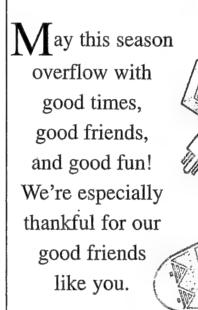
Honor of Kevin Richards

The Rolling Bethel maintains the large lighted Christmas tree on the Bethel Common. This year, a program was established to offer to the public single lights for \$5 each in honor of or in memory of a loved one or friend. The proceeds support the maintenance of the tree and community service projects of the club.





Our thanks and best wishes go out to everyone in the community during the holiday season.



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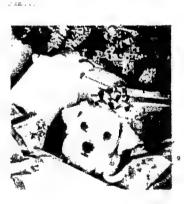
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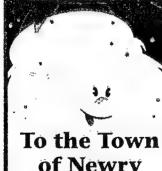
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wishes to you and yours for a safe and happy holiday season!

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## Events Calendar

9 a.m. (Fridays) - Oxford Hills Duplicate Bridge at Fare Share Food Coop, 443 Main Street, Norway. For more information, call Mimi Bell (743-8081) or Rowena Palmer (743-2882) or e-mail bridge@megalink.net.

Every Wednesday, 7 to 9 p.m. - The Yet To be Named Banjo Club practices in the Commons of the Fare Share Market at 477 Main Street, Norway. Interested banjoists invited to join. Public welcome to come and listen. FMI: call Alan Hamilton at 875-2680.

First and Third Wednesdays 9 to 12 a.m. - Veterans' Advocate will be at Maine Veterans' Home, South Paris.

Wednesdays 6 to 7:30 p.m. - People in recovery from alcohol/drug addiction may need to move to a Next Step group. Open to everyone who feels they may benefit from a change. FMI: call Laurence Austin at 824-4077 (all calls confidential).

Wednesday nights - TOPS, take off pounds sensibly, meets at Bethel Alliance Church from 5:30 to 6 p.m. (weigh in) and meeting from 6 to 6:30 p.m. All welcome. FMI: call 824-3288.

Wednesdays 10 to 11 a.m. - T'ai Chi at Ellie's Express and 5 to 6 p.m. at Bethel Family Health Center. Taught by Betsey Foster, MPH. To register, contact Betsey at 875-2426 or BSF@megalink.net.

Thursdays 1 to 3 p.m. - Cross Country Quilters of Pine Tree Quilt Guild of Maine meet at Moses Mason House Barn, corner of Broad and Mason streets, Bethel. All quilters welcome. No dues, no rules, just fun. FMI: call Ginny Keniston (824-2661) or e-mail Pat McCartney at p\_quilts@yahoo.com.

Wednesday, Dec. 24

6p.m.-Christmas Eve Pageant and Music Program at Waterford Congregational Church, Plummer Hill. All welcome. FMI: call 583-6677.

6 to p.m. - Christmas Eve Candlelight Service at Pleasant Valley Bible church, Flat Road, Bethel.

6 and 10 p.m. - Candlelight Christmas Eve Service at Second Congregational Church, U.C.C., 205 Main Street, Norway. Early service for young children, late service traditional with lessons and carols. English hand bells at 6 p.m. FMI: 743-2290.

7:30 p.m. - Christmas Eve Candlelight Service by Sunday River Christian Ministry with the Rev. Don Coverdale leading in praise, prayer and peace. The service takes place in front of the fireplace, third floor of Barker Base Lodge at Sunday River Ski Resort. All ages welcome. FMI: call 824-5896 (recording).

Thursday, Dec. 25

8 a.m. - Christmas Mass at Our Lady of the Snows, Bethel.

11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. - Community Christmas dinner at First Congregational Church, East Main Street, Paris. Free. Takeouts available. FMI: 674-5185.

Saturday, Dec. 27

2 to 4 p.m. - Rabies Clinic at Andover Fire Station. Cost: \$14 (cash only). Dogs may be registered as well.

7 p.m. - Mad Science program of Black Diamond Family Entertainment Series at Grand Ballroom, Grand Summit Resort Hotel, Sunday River Ski Resort. Tickets: \$4 for children 6 to 12 and \$6 for adults in advance or \$6 and \$8 at door. Tickets available on-mountain at South Ridge Welcome Center, Snow Cap Inn and Grand Hotel Resort front desks or call (800) 543-2SKI. FMI: visit sundayriver.



PETER GROSS AT SUNDAY RIVER - Part of the **Black Diamond Family Entertainment Series**, located at the Grand Summit Resort Hotel Ballroom, 7pm. FMI: sundayriver.com

Tuesday, December 30

7 p.m. - Peter Gross - Comic Hypnotist program of Black Diamond Family Entertainment Series at Grand Ballroom, Grand Summit Resort Hotel, Sunday River Ski Resort. Tickets: \$4 for children 6 to 12 and \$6 for adults in advance or \$6 and \$8 at door. Tickets available onmountain at South Ridge Welcome Center, Snow Cap Inn and Grand Hotel Resort front desks or call (800) 543-2SKI. FMI: visit sundayriver.com.



#### **AREA CHRISTMAS CHURCH SERVICES Bethel**

West Parish Congregational Church, UCC-Dec. 24, Christmas Eve (two services offered). 4 p.m.: Bell choir, soloists Katelyn Keane and Kelsey Gamble, carols and an enacted telling of the Christmas story, 7 p.m.; Chancel choir, candlelight, lessons and carols, and a story-sermon.

Our Lady of the Snows-Christmas Mass, 8 a.m. Christmas morning. (An announcement phone at 824-2933 lists other Christmas Eve and Christmas Day masses to be offered in Rumford.)

Pleasant Valley Bible Church—Christmas Eve Candlelight Service, 6 to 7 p.m.

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Sunday River Christian Ministry— Interdenominational Sunday River Christmas Eve Candlelight Service, 7:30 p.m. in front of the fireplace on the third floor, Barker Base Lodge at Sunday River Ski Resort. Rev. Don Coverdale and singer Cynthia Clark. All ages welcome. (FMI 207-8245896)

#### Norway

First Church of Christ, Scientist—Christmas Eve Service, 7:30 p.m. at 5 Morrill Road, Norway (cattycorner to Norway Country Club on Rt. 118)

#### Waterford

Waterford Congregational Church—Annual Christmas Eve Pageant and Music Progam. Begins at 6 p.m. Plummer Hill Road, Waterford. FMI 583-6677

It's always wise to call ahead

Listings in The Citizen's weekly Community Calendar are compiled from a wide variety of sources. While we do our utmost to ensure the reliability of the information presented here, we recognize that when dealing with such a large volume of material, some inaccuracies will occasionally creep in. And in other cases, a sponsoring organization's plans may change between the time The Citizen is printed and the event is held.

More Community Calendar

An extended version of this week's Community Calendar can be found on our homepage: bethelcitizen.com.

## Support Services

#### ABUSED WOMEN'S ADVOCACY PROJECT

AWAP serves all of Oxford County and provides emergency shelter, court advocacy and support groups with child care. Rumford office 369-0750; Norway office 743-5086; 24 hour hotline 1-800-559-2927

#### AA MEETINGS

Bethel Freedom Group's Big Book Meeting Sundays at 6pm at the United Methodist Church, Main Street.

Bethel Freedom Group's Speaker/Discussion Meeting. Tuesdays at 6pm at the United Methodist Church, Main Street.

Bethel Freedom Group's 12 Step/Traditions Meeting. Fridays at 6pm at Bethel United Methodist Church.

#### ADDICTION HELP

Narconon, a nonprofit public benefit organization that specializes in helping people with drug or alcohol addictions offers FREE assessments and more than 11,000 local referrals through the 800 line. Drug addiction can be overcome and Narconon can help. Call (800) 556-8885 or visit www.drugrehab.

#### **EXCHANGES**

District Exchange Community Thrift Shop accepts donations of in-season clothing in clean, wearable condition only. Drop off hours and shopping: Monday 1-4pm, Thursday 4-6pm and Saturday, 10am-12pm.

The Woodstock Seventh Day Adventist Church Community Service Center announces that individuals or families requiring assistance with food needs in the South Woodstock, Bryant Pond, West Paris and Sumner areas are invited to call 674-2566, 674-2663, or 665-2226 to learn more details.

#### MS SUPPORT GROUP

Meets the first Friday of the month from 1-2:30pm at the West Parish Congregational Church, next to Gould Academy. For more information, call Darcy Lund at 739-2888

#### MENTAL ILLNESS SUPPORT GROUP

Beacon House Social Club, 150 Congress Street, Rumford, a drop-in social club for adults suffering with mental, emotional, or physical illness, provides support, relaxation, and socialization. Monday 1 to 5pm; Tuesday 9am-2pm; Wednesday 9am-8pm; Wednesday 3-8pm; Friday 2-7pm; Saturday 11am-4pm. Oxford County Mental Health Services, support for adults and children with mental illness, same location, second floor, open Monday-Friday 8am-4pm. For more information, call 364-3549 or (800) 335-9999, or in off-hours 928-3222.

#### POST PARTUM SUPPORT GROUP

"Meet the Midwives" meets from 5-6:30 every first Tuesday of the month, and the Post Partum Support Group meets every fourth Wednesday of the month from 6:30-7:30. The meetings take place at Blue Moon Midwives, 176 Main Street, Norway, directly across from Stephen's Memorial Hospital. For more information, call 207-739-2800 or visit www.bluemoonmidwives.com

#### REACH

Rape Education and Crisis Hotline 1-800-871-7741. Sexual assault/sexual abuse hotline, same number. Support groups and awareness education, past or present victims of abuse.

#### VETERANS' SERVICES (STATE/VA BENEFITS)

Maine Veterans Home, S. Paris, first Wednesday School 2:45-4:15pm, Tel, 392-4841.

day each month, 9-12 noon (743-6300); Career Center in Rumford (364-3718), second Thursday 9-12 noon: Lewiston (795-4590), 29 Westminster St., 7:30am to 4pm, Monday thru Friday, Location: Monday-Sun-

## Library Hours

Andover Library: Tuesday, Wednesday, and Saturday 1-4:30 pm; Thursday 1-4:30 & 6-8 pm. Tel: 392-4841 Bethel Library: Monday 9-1; Tuesday 1-5; Wednesday 1-8; Thursday & Friday 1-5 Saturday, 9-1. Story

Hour Mondays, 10-11 am October to May. Michelle Conroy, Librarian. 824-2520. Hamlin Memorial Library, Paris Hill: Tuesday-Friday 11:30-5:30 Saturday 10-2; Wednesday

evening, 7-9 pm. Tel. 743-2980 Whitman Memorial Library, Bryant Pond: Tel. 665-2505, Tuesday 1:30-5; Thursday 1:30-7.

West Paris Library, West Paris: Monday 1:30-6; Wednesday 1:30-7; Friday 1:30-6; Saturday 10-2.

Patty Makley, Librarian. 674-2004 Gardner Roberts Memorial Library, Hanover: Wednesday, 9-3.

Upton Library: Wednesday, 2-6, Children's Hour 1-2; Saturday 2-4,

## Church Services

#### **ALBANY**

Congregational Church - Hunts Corner, 9:30a.m. Sunday worship and Sunday School at 9am: Pastor Eddie Gammon. Bible Study 6:30 Thursdays at the home of Fernand Corriveau.

ANDOVER First Congregational Church Rev. Jane Rich. Sunday morning worship 10 to 11 a.m. followed by brunch. All are welcome. FMI - 392-

Calvary Bible Church - Pastor Ken Wagstaff, Sunday School 9:30 a.m.; Morning Worship Service 10:45 a.m.; Wednesday prayer meeting 6:30 p. m. Rt. 5. S. Andover, 392-1121.

BETHEL Bethel Alliance Church- Rev. Kevin Bellinger, Pastor: Jim Rose, Youth Pastor, Sundays: Sunday school for adults and children at 9 a.m.; Worship Service at 10 a.m.; Kidz Klub (4 yrs.-5th grade) and High School Youth Group (9th-12th grade) at 5:30 p.m. Thursdays: Middle School Youth Group (6th-8th grade) at 5 p.m.

For more information, call 824-2289. Church of the Nazarene - Pastor Chuck Mason, 9:30 am. Sunday School. 10:30 a.m. morning worship. Wednesday evening service in different locations. Call for info., 824-4028 (voice mail) or 824-7289 FMI.

West Parish Congregational - Rev. Virginia Rickeman. 10 a.m. worship, child care available. Prayer, Tuesday, 8 a.m., FMI call 824-0550. Our Lady of the Snows- Saturday mass

at 6 p.m., Rev. Angelo Levasseur. 364 4556. United Methodist - Geoffrey Gross, Pastor. 10:30 a.m. Sunday worship. Sunday School,

9:30 a.m. West Bethel Union - Morning worship and 9 a.m. Sunday School. For information. call 836-3533 or 836-2882. Rev. John Williams.

Pleasant Valley Bible - Pastor Aaron Mc-Nally. Sunday Services: Sunday School, 9am; Worship Service, 10am; Ladies Bible study Tuesday, 2:30pm; Prayer meeting Tuesday 6pm; Awana clubs follow school-year calendar, FMI 836-3006 or 824-2037.

Episcopal House Church . Holy communion service the third or fourth Sunday of every month at 4 p.m. at 38 Chapman Street. For further information, call the Reverend Gwyneth Bohr at 824-2913.

Church of Christ - at home of Keith Hamel, minister, 507 Walker's Mills Road (Route 26), Bethel. Worship at 9 a.m. Sunday.

Seventh Day Adventist Fellowship: Meets at the Nazarene Church on Saturdays, on Church Street in Bethel. For more info, call EAST STONEHAM

#### Oxford County United Parish

Churches in Stoneham and North Waterford - Services at 10 a.m. at the North Waterford Congregational Church (UCC). located on the Five Kezars Road, off Roufes 35 & 37, opposite Melby's Market. Services held at North Waterford through the winter months. Choir practice 9am, followed by Bible

GORHAM, NH Assembly of God - Pastor Paul Levigen. Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Sunday service

Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m.. FMI 603-466-2851. Gorham Congregational Church - Interim minister Rev. Kent Schneider. Sunday morning worship and church school at 10:30am. Communion is celebrated the first

#### Sunday of each month. FMI 603-466-2136. HARRISON

Bolster's Mills United Methodist Church - Bolster's Mills Road, Harrison. Rev. Walter R. Brown, Pastor. Sunday worship at 8:45 a.m., Church school 10:15 a.m. for kids kindergarten - grade 12. Call 583-9024 or 998-7040 for more info.

#### Locke Mills Union - Pastor Sondra Withey. Sunday morning service will begin at 9 a.m.

LOCKE MILLS

Bible study at the church is every Tuesday at 6:30 pm. Everyone is welcome

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints- 265 Main Street. Worship Service Sundays at 10am. Pres. Peter Beeckel. 364-5881.

#### NEWRY Sunday River Christian Ministry - with

Rev. Don Coverdale and gospel singer Cynthia Clark. On-mountain interdenominational worship service held every Sunday during ski season. ALERT: we are now located in the Juniper Room; Jordan Grand Hotel, New time: 10:00am-11:00am. Ski-in, or take the resort shuttle from South Ridge to Jordan. For more information: 824-5896 (recording).

#### NORWAY/PARIS First Church of Christ, Scientist - Sun-

day service 10 a.m., Wed. Testimony service 7:30 p.m. 5 Morrill Rd/Rt. 118 (catercorner to Norway Country Club), Norway. Call 824.4099 FMI or ride.

Trinity Lutheran Church - Route 117, S. Paris. Pastors Kim Marie and Tom Myhre. Sunday School at 9am; Sunday morning service 10:15 a.m. with coffee, refreshments and good fellowship. Bible Study, Wednesdays 7 North Paris Federation- Morse Hill

Road, North Paris. Sunday Service 8 a.m.. Pastor Bruce Tyner, 674-2968. Singsperation third Sunday each month alternating with West Paris Baptist Church at 7 p.m.. Oxford Hills Friends (Quakers) - Sun-

day worship 9:30 a.m. at HOPE Ripley Center, High Street, S. Paris across the park from the Post Office, Call Ursula Brandon at 665-2880 or Sue Rellly at 966-2012 for more informa-

Christ Episcopal Church - 35 Paris St., Sunday Services 9 a.m., June-Aug.; Sunday School at 10 a.m. Informal worship at 5 p.m. Sundays. Healing service with communion 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday. Rev. Anne Stanley. Call 743-6782 for more information.

First Baptist Church of Paris - On the Common at the top of Paris Hill, 10:30 am worship service. Sunday School at 9:30 a.m. Coffee hour follows the service. Fellowship lunch held the first Sunday of each month following worship. Pastor Ron Blake.

St. Catherine's: Saturday 6 p.m. Vigile Mass; Sunday 8:30 a.m. Mass Unitarian Universalist Church of Norway - liam worship. (Sept - June) Child care is provided. Religious education classes 11am-12:15pm. FMI 743-2828.

#### OXFORD St. Mary's - Saturday 4 p.m. Vigile Mass. Our Lady of Ransom: Sunday 10:30 a.m.

RUMFORD St. Barnabus Episcopal Church - Holy Communion, 9:30 a.m. Rev. Tim Parsons

#### Priest-in-charge. Special holidays will be announced. Stone church at the rotary. RUMFORD CENTER 👺

Praise Assembly of God - Pastor Justin Thacker. Adult and teen Sunday school 9am Sunday worship service at 10am. Sunday prayer meeting at 6pm. Wednesday night bible study and youth group 7pm. 170 Ando ver Road. FMI call 364-3856 or see our welfs.teat www.praiseassemblyofgod.net.

#### RUMFORD POINT Rumford Point Church - Sunday service, Sunday School, 10:30 a.m. Sondra Withey.

#### SUMNER East Sumner Congregational Linds Kimball, pastor. Sunday service, 9 a.m. -

WEST PARIS
Unitarian Universalist Church of West Paris - 9 a.m. worship. Rev. Richard Beai West Paris Baptist - Sunday Worship

9:15 am., Bruce Tyner, Pastor. Sunday School Preschool thru kindergarten 9:45am Sunday School Grades 1-6, 10:25am. Sunday evening worship 7:00 p.m.; Monday Diacon nette meeting first Monday of the month Tuesday ladies fellowship meets the folirting Tuesday of every month. Tea & Toys Time Bi-Weekly 9:30-11:30am, Adult Choir Wedne. day evenings, Wednesday Bible Study and Prayer 7pm, church business meetings-the third Wednesday of the month.

West Paris Congregational Church Linda Kimball, pastor. Sunday Worship 11 a.m.; Sunday School 10 a.m.

#### WOODSTOCK

Bryant Pond Baptist - Pastor Larry Hodgkins, Sundays: Sunday School 9:15 a.m.: Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.; Evening Selvice 6:00 p.m.; Wednesdays: Prayer & bible study 6:30 p.m.; Fridays: Youth Group 7-12th grade Woodstock Seventh day Adventist

Pastor Richard Wright (207-797-9678), Sat urday: 9:20 a.m. Sabbath school. 11 a.m. wor ship service.

Pinhook Meeting House (Rt. 232, North Woodstock) - Hymn Sing, last Friday of each month, 7 p.m. All welcome.

Mahoosuc Mountain Friends - a wor ship group meeting in the unprogrammed tradition of Friends (Quakers) . Sundays. 9:30 a.m. at the Whitman Memorial Library, Bryant Pond. Newcomers welcome. Call Dick Stratton at 824-8669 FMI.

Items for the Community Calendar may be brought to The Bethel Citizen Office, .mailed in or phoned in at 824-2444. The Deadline is Monday at Noon.

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## Events Calendar

Wednesday, Dec. 31

11th annual "New Year's Bethel Celebration.
Affordable, chemical-free festival with variety of live entertainment at several sites in Bethel Village.

7;30 and 10;30 p.m.—At Oddfellow Theater: Buckfield: Dickie Hyper-Hynie's Rockin' New Year's Eve. Tickets: \$15 all seats. FMI: call box office at 336-3306 or visit www.oddfellow.com/calendar.

8 p.m. – New Year's Eve Dance at Andover Town Hall, benefit Andover Food Pantry. DJ Sean will play '70s hits, ice and refreshments provided, 50/50 raffle, 21 and over. Pre-sale tickets: \$6 (\$9 at door). Call Chad (392-2392) or LeighAnna (392-1263) of ChadLeigh Productions or stop at Mill's Market.

Thursday, Jan. 1

11:30 a.m. – Woodstock-Greenwood Senior Citizens meeting/potluck dinner at Town Conference Room. Silent auction. Everyone bring a dish to share and item for the auction.



GEORGE SATERIAL AT ODDFELLOW THEATER -Saturday, January 17. FMI and tickets, www.oddfellow.com/calendar

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ALLOY ORCHESTRA AT GOULD ACADEMY Thursday, January 8. FMI www.alloyorchestra.com

Thursday, Jan. 8

7 p.m. – Mahoosuc Arts Council presents Alloy Orchestra at Gould Academy's Bingham Auditorium. The silent film "The General," directed by Buster Keaton, is brought to life with a score written and performed by a three-man orchestra using found instruments, percussion and state of the art electronics. FMI: www.alloyorchestra.com.

Wednesday, Jan. 14

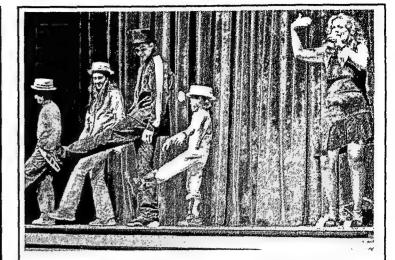
11 a.m. – Bethel Senior Citizens Club dinner/meeting at Sudbury Inn. Price of dinner is \$10. Dues (\$3) payable at this meeting.

Saturday, Jan. 17

7:30 p.m. – At Oddfellow Theater: Buckfield: World Champion Magician, George Saterial. Tickets: \$12 adults, \$10 seniors, \$16 children 12 and under.. FMI: call box office at 336-3306 or visit www.oddfellow.com/calendar.



DICKIE HYPER-HYNIE'S ROCKIN' NEW YEAR'S EVE - Wednesday, December 31. FMI and tickets: 336-3306 or www.oddfellow.com/calendar



# 11TH ANNUAL "NEW YEAR'S BETHEL" CELEBRATION

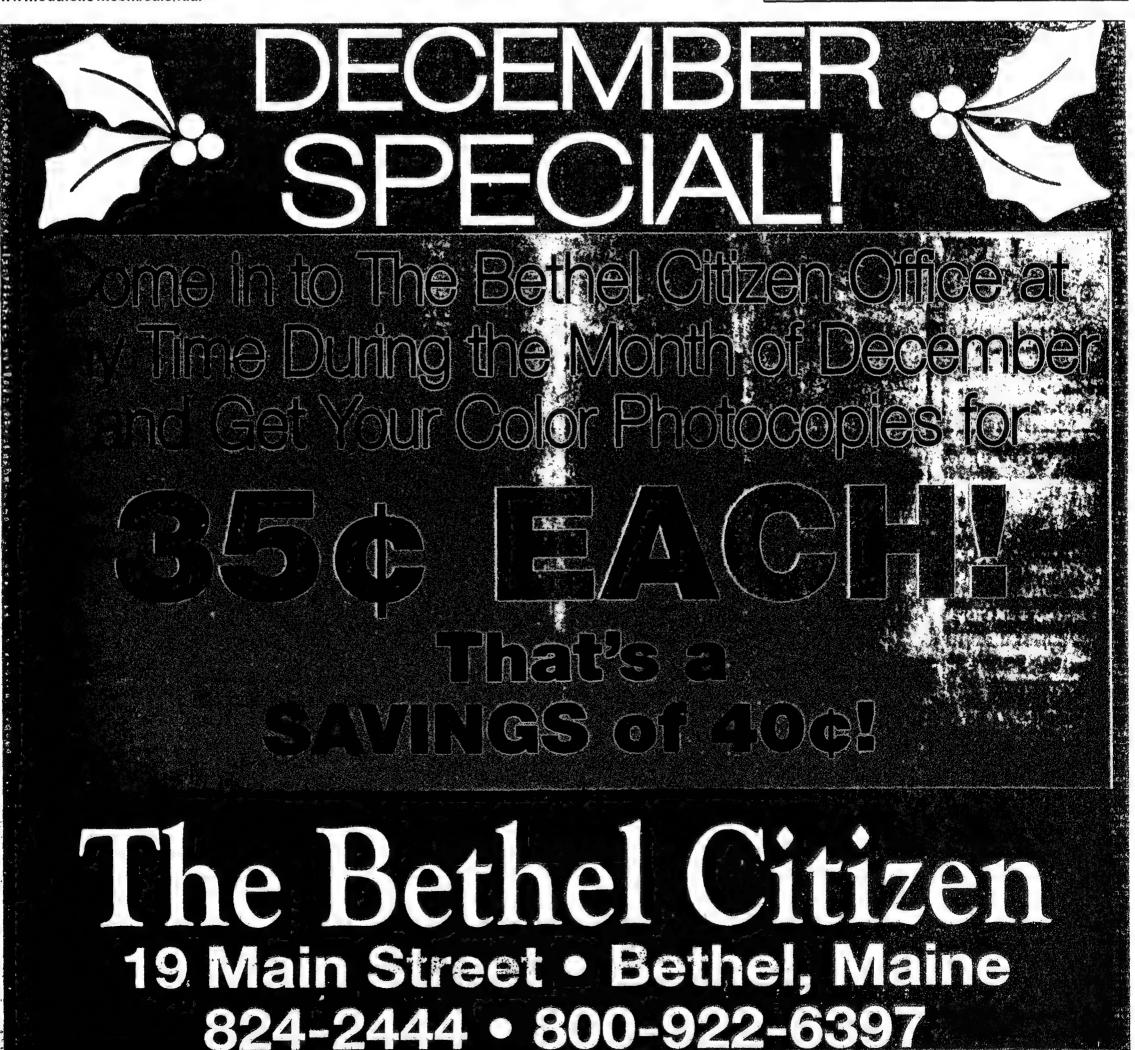
Once again, the Bethel Historical Society is pleased to announce the annual "New Year's Bethel" celebration—an affordable family festival that includes live entertainment at several sites within historic Bethel Hill Village.

Featured at this year's event will be a

- \* Community Pot Luck Supper;
- \* Children's Dra, 'n Parade;
- \* marshmallow roasting and a bonfire on the Common;
- \* the Judy Lee All New Fun-Filled Family Show;
- \* the State Street Jazz Band;
- \* the Western Mountain Senior College Senior Players:
- \* refreshments and hospitality at the Dr. Moses Mason House;
- \* a Community Sing-A-Long with Lynn Arizzi at the piano;
- \* and ringing in the New Year at the Town Clock.

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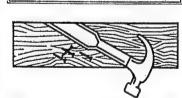
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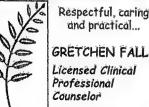
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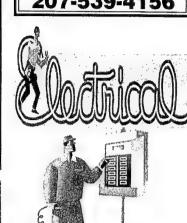
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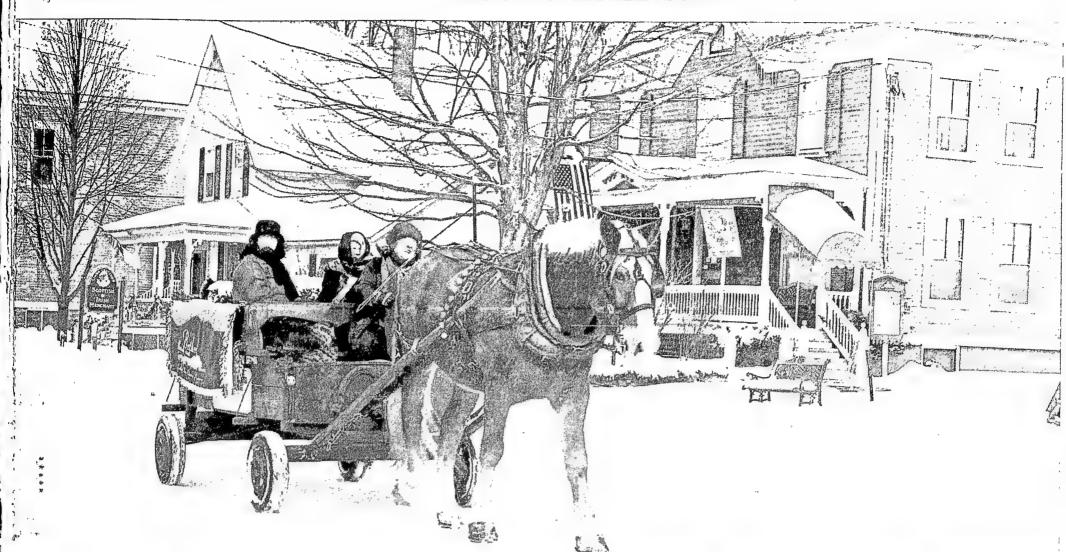
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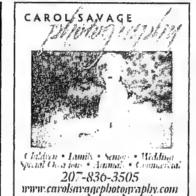
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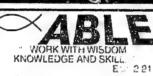
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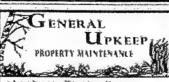
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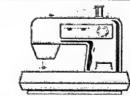
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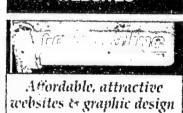
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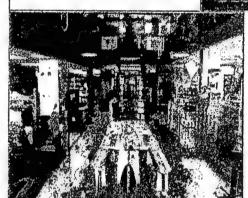
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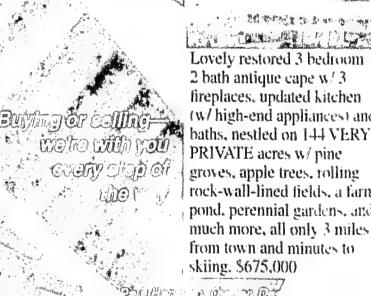
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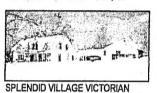
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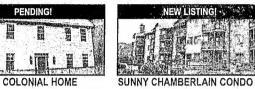








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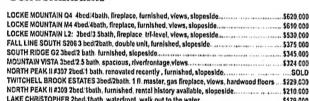
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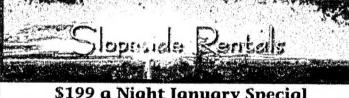
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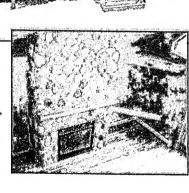
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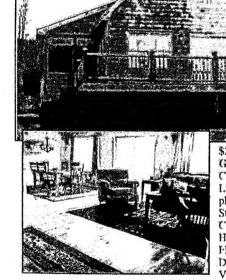
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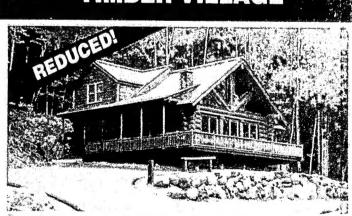
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Bellegarde both of California:

two great-grandchildren, Ca-

leb Wilday and Ellis Coffin. She

was predeceased by her par-

ents; one brother, Orin "Billy"

Sprague Jr.; three sisters, Char-

lene Haines, Doris Walker and

Mabel Fournier; and a former

Hours of visitation will be

held at the Andrews Funeral

Home, 64 Andrews Road, Bry-

ant Pond on Dec. 30, from 2 to

4 p.m. Private burial services

In lieu of flowers, memorials

in her memory are requested

to the Ledgeview Living Cen-

ter, Resident Council Fund,

141 Bethel Road, West Paris,

Online condolences may be left for the family at www.an-

The family would like to ex-

press a heartfelt thank-you to

all physicians, nursing staff,

and the staff of Andrews Fu-

neral Home involved in sup-

porting both her and her fam-

ily throughout this difficult

and the late Beth and Ralph

Thelma Berry of Dixfield and

Clara Milligan-Brown of Flor-

Hannah-Sue joins her broth-

Stacy Bachelder and Aar-

on Smart of Waterville are

pleased to announce the arriv-

al of a baby girl, Lily Morgan

Smart. Lily was born on Oct.

17, 2008, weighing 7 pounds, 14

Maternal grandparents are Kenneth and Janice Bachel-

Maternal great-grandmother

Paternal grandparents are

Roderick and Darla Smart of

The family of

Ivan H. Proctor Sr.

would like to thank

each and every one

for being there

for us

during our

unexpected loss.

An Invitation

Relatives and Friends are

muted to a 90th Birthday Party

for Aunt Vera Cross at the lackson silver Legion Hall, Gere Road, on Saturday.

Lumary 3rd, 2009,

from 1 PM to 5 PM No presents please, Comeand have a good time.

is Olga Morgan of Bethel, who

shares a birthday with Lily.

er and sister, Kassey and Jef-

Great-grandparents

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will be held in the spring.

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Stetson III.

der of Bethel.

Oakland, Maine.

husband, Buddy Olsen.

**EDITH M. BELLEGARDE** 

Edith Mae Bellegarde, 78,

died at Stephens Memorial

Hospital, Norway, on Sunday

evening, Dec. 21, 2008 with

She was born on Sept. 3, 1930

in Woodstock, daughter of the

late Orin and Eunice (Joslin)

Edith enjoyed her time at the South Woodstock Church

and loved doing activities at the Ledgeview Living Center

She is survived by one son,

Eugene L. Bellegarde Jr. and

his wife Hanna of San Diego,

Calif.; two daughters, Mari-

anne Gould and her husband

George of Woodstock, and Do-

reen Madore and her hus-

band Jim (Fred) of Dixfield;

one brother, George Sprague

of Beverly, Mass.; three sis-

ters, Evelyn Pike of Harrison.

Daisy Coolidge of East Beth-

el and Anita Mason of Bethel;

five grandchildren, Rachel Wil-

day and her husband Randy

of Woodstock, Crystal Bonney

and her fiancée Kevin Lawlor

of West Paris, Deven Madore

Lance and Heather East-

erlin of Beaufort, N.C., are

pleased to announce the arriv-

al of a baby boy, Brayden Low-

ell Easterlin, born on Sept. 25.

2008 at Carteret General Hos-

pital in Morehead City, N.C.,

weighing 6 pounds, 15 ounces.

Lowell of Newry, Lillian Wil-

liamson, Karen Watts and

Carroll Easterlin, all of Myrtle

Frank and Bea Lowell of No-

wry and Joyce Mishoe of Myr

Amy and Lewis Stetson of

Andover announce the birth

of their daughter, Hannah

Sue Kristine Stetson, born on

Nov. 18, 2008 at Rumford Ho-

Grandparents are Mark and

Anna Thurston of Andover

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In Memory Of

Our Sister,

**Patricia** 

Blaquiere

On Her Birthday

Brothers, Robert, Lonnie

Sisters: Arlene, Elizabeth.

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Great-grandparents

Beach, S.C.

tle Beach, S.C.

Grandparents are David

for the time she spent there.

family by her side.

Sprague Sr.

## <u>Obituaries</u>



LINDON U. BAD Lindon U. I Hartford and for nover, died in Dec. 19, 2008.

He was born ic Falls on June son of Harold (Small) Bartheti cated in Bethe! he married des son on Sept. 131.

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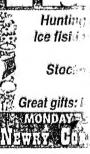
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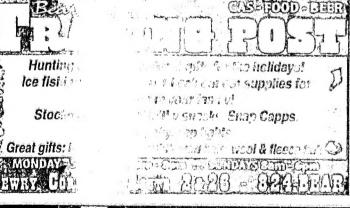
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play golf, but was especially fund of flying out of the Bethel airport with his friends. He was a member of the Ma-

sons, Kora Shrine, American Legion in Rumford, and the Am Vets and VFW of Jay. He is survived by his wife

al Paper as a millwright from

He liked to hunt and fish and

1965 until he retired in 1995.

of 54 years, Jennie Bartlett of Hartford; a daughter, Jackie Hood and her husband Dana of Turner and their three children, Landis Bornales and her husband Chris, Chad Hood and his wife Kelly and Nathan Hood and his wife Sherri, all of Auburn; one brother, Wayne Bartlett, and one sister, Alairetta Sirmeyer, both of Florida; and six great-grandchildren, Bradley, Jayden, Jylman, Roman, Luke and Kay-

morial visiting hours will be held at the Greenleaf Funeral Home, 37 Vernon Street. Bethel on Sunday evening. Dec. 28, 6 to 8 p.m. with a mermicial service at the funer-" home on Monday at 1 p.m. Buriou will be in the Hanover a netery in the spring. Memorals in his memory

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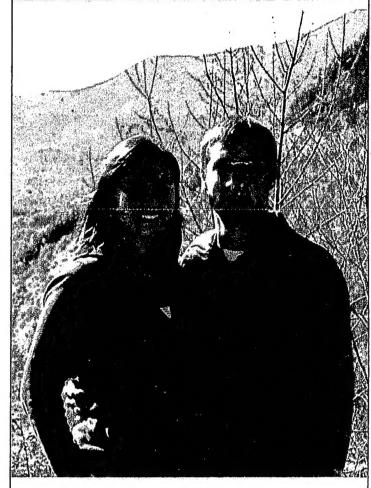
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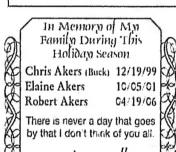
Greenwold — Johnson
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Greenwald of Portland are proud to

announce the engagement of their daughter, Sarah Greenwald, to Alex Johnson, son of Carolyn Johnson of Bryant Pond and James Johnson of Greenwood.

Sarah is a 2001 graduate of Deering High School and a 2005 graduate of the University of Maine at Farmington. She earned a bachelor's degree in elementary education and is continuing her education with a master's degree in literacy from the University of New England. Sarah is employed as a third-grade teacher at Dirigo Elementary School in Peru.

Alex is a 2001 graduate of Telstar Regional High School and a 2002 graduate of Wyoming Technical Institute. He earned an associate's degree in automotive technology and management. Alex has his ASE certifications and has been employed at Rowe Auburn for five years.

A summer 2010 wedding is being planned.



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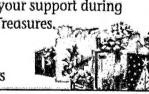


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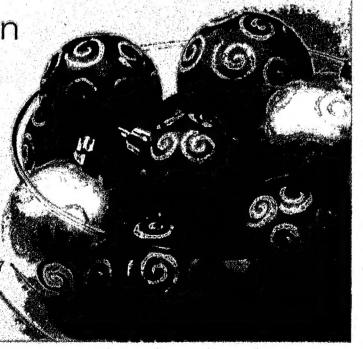
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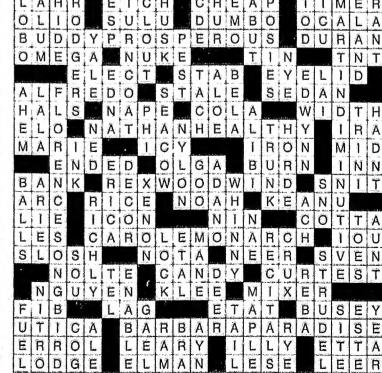
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